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- Q. And were you deposed in those suits?
- A. I was. 2
- 3 Q. Were those the six suits that you were deposed 4 in?
- 5 A. Yes, they were.
- Q. All six? 6
- 7 A. You know, I speculated that it's been six times
- that I've been deposed, but it could have been 8
- 9 more or less, but, you know, in round numbers, 10 that's probably about right.
- Q. Were you deposed in any matters other than 11 12
- matters relating to the wrongful termination of 13 officers of Bentley Pharmaceuticals?
- A. There was a matter where we had entered into a 14
- joint venture with a company called Maximed, and 15
- there was litigation involved there; and I was 16 involved in not only depositions but trial
- 17 testimony in that as well. 18
- O. And where was that case tried? 19
- 20 A. In New York.
- 21 Q. Do you recall if it was in federal or state
- 22 court?
- A. I think it was in federal court there in South 23
- 24 Manhattan

- A. This is a document that's required to be filed
  - annually by the Securities and Exchange
  - 3 Commission as required of all publicly traded 4 companies.

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- 5 O. And so it is a document that Bentley keeps in 6 its ordinary course of business?
  - MR. MINGOLLA: I'll object.
- A. Bentley --8
  - MR. FINE: Basis?
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Vague, "keeps."
- A. I guess I'm trying to understand the meaning of 11
- the word "keeps," but my position is that 12
- 13 Bentley has filed this document and has a copy
- of it in its corporate records. 14
- Q. Is this an accurate statement of Bentley's 15
- position at the end of 1999? 16
- 17 A. Yes, it is.
- O. And has any portion of this document been 18
- 19 restated since it was filed?
- 20 A. I don't recall any restatements. It's possible
- 21 that as subsequent financial statements are
- 22 filed that reclassifications occur, but there
- 23 have been no restatements.
- 24 Q. But if we get into an area where something has

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- Q. And do you recall what the claims in that case
- 1 were or what the allegations in that case were? 2
- A. Primarily breach of -- breach of agreement, and 3
- then we alleged fraud and deceit; and we were 5 awarded a judgment in that case.
- O. And is that judgment disclosed in the company's 6 SEC filings? 7
- 8 A. It is. We were unable to collect. It was not 9 able to satisfy the judgment.
- O. Okay. I'd like to show you another document. 10
- (1999 10-K was marked Exhibit Number 4 11 for identification.) 12
- Q. Do you recognize this document? 13
- 14 A. I do.
- Q. What is this document? 15
- A. This is Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc.'s annual 16
- 17 report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities
- and Exchange Commission for the year ended 18
- December 31st, 1999. 19
- Q. Did you prepare this document? 20
- A. I was involved with the preparation of this 21
- 22 document, yes.
- Q. Is this document a document that's kept in the 23
- ordinary course of Bentley's business? 24

- been reclassified and you recall that, will you let me know?
- 2 3 A. Sure, sure.
- 4 Q. Thanks. I'd like you to turn to the third page
- 5 of this document, which has actually got the
- 6 Page Number 2 on it. And if you look at the
- 7 paragraph right above the number 2, the final
- 8 sentence says, "All of the registrant's revenues 9 for the year ended December 31, 1999 are derived
- 10 from its operating subsidiary Laboratorios
- Belmac S.A. in Spain." Is that a correct 11
- 12 statement?
- 13 A. One moment.
- 14 I flipped over to Page F-26, which is 15 the footnote that details the geographic
- 16 breakdown of the company's revenues, expenses,
- 17 and assets and liabilities, and for some reason,
- 18 this copy that you have doesn't have the
- right-hand column that would include the 19
- consolidated results. It got cut off, but I can 20
- 21 see that all of the revenues for 1999 totaled 15,148,000, and they were all generated in Spain 22
- 23 by Laboratorios Belmac and its subsidiaries.
- O. And that's a little bit different than --

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- 1 actually, you know, you might want -- I think you're looking at the wrong page. 2
- A. You're right. 20,249,000 was the total, and it 3 was all generated in Spain. 4
- Q. And there was a net income in Spain of 905,000; 5 6 is that accurate?
- 7 A. That is correct.
- 8 O. And there's a corporate consolidation or elimination of a loss of 1,995,000? 9
- A. That's correct, and if the consolidated column 10 were on here, you'd see probably the net of 11
- those two numbers would be the net loss for the 12 13 vear 1999.
- O. I apologize for this. The SEC's Web site is not 14 15 all of what you want.
- A. No, you have to do a landscape print to be able 16 17 to get that.
- 18 Q. You're familiar with the problem?
- A. I am. And you can see the net loss for the year 19 was 1,998,000 on Page F-3. 20
- 21 Q. So if I understand this correctly, 100 percent
- 22 of Bentley, that's the registrant's, revenues 23 came from Laboratorios Belmac?
- A. During the year 1999, that's true. 24

1 MR. FINE: I'm asking a foundational 2 auestion.

MR. MINGOLLA: Well...

4 A. I can't tell you for sure if the order of these 5 indicates in declining order the value of the 6 sales of each of those products, but I can tell 7 you that if you look on the following page, that 8 the first two products listed, Controlvas and Belmazol, together represented 52 percent of the 9 10 sales of Laboratorios Belmac.

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- Q. Can you tell me what percentage of that 11 52 percent is attributable to Belmazol in 1999? 12
- A. I don't know there's any place else in the 13 14 document you would see it, and I certainly can't
- 15 tell you off the top of my head. 16 Q. Do you know if it was more than Controlvas?
- A. I don't recall. 17
- 18 Q. Do you know what proportion of revenues
- attributable to Belmazol and Controlvas within 19
- that 52 percent approximately might be? Are 20 they about equal? 21
- 22 A. I couldn't tell you. I really don't know. The
- 23 concept here that we were trying to comply with
- 24 is a requirement by the SEC that if you have any

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- Q. Okay. And I'd like you to turn to another page
- of this document, Page -- it's the page with a 2
  - number 5 on it. I'm not sure if that means Page
- 5 is above it or Page 5 is below it. It 4
- actually is in the section marked Pharmaceutical 5
- 6 Manufacturing and Marketing in Spain, which I
- 7 think starts the page before that.
- 8 A. Okay.

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- 9 Q. Under Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Marketing
- in Spain, the document says, "Among the products 10
- Laboratorios Belmac manufactures and are 11
- distributed, each of which is registered with 12
- Spain's Ministry of Health, are," and the first 13
- 14 one is Belmazol; is that correct?
- A. That's correct. 15
- 16 Q. And there are a number of other products listed
- 17 under Belmazol, for example, Controlvas,
- Belmalax and others; is that accurate? 18
- A. That's true. 19

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- Q. And is the order of this list, does that reflect 20
- 21 the importance of the product to the revenues of
- 22 Laboratorios Belmac and, by extension, Bentley
- 23 Pharmaceuticals?
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, foundation.

- 1 specific concentration of risk or have any 2
  - significant dependence on a specific product,
- 3 that the shareholders should be aware of the
- 4 fact that X percent of your revenues come from a
- 5 product or group of products so they can gauge
- the level of risk that may be involved if any of 6 7
- those products are no longer marketed, for 8 example, but I couldn't tell you as of right
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- 10 Q. I'd like to skip ahead to the 2000 10-K for just 11 a second.
- 12 (2000 10-K was marked Exhibit Number 5 for identification.) 13 14
  - Q. But before I do, you have no recollection of the relative importance of Belmazol or Controlvas?
- A. All I can tell you is the two of them 16
- 17 represented 52 percent of the revenues that
- 18 year, but I couldn't tell you the breakdown
- between the two of them. 19
- O. And why did you choose to report those two to 20
- the SEC as opposed to, say, Belmalax and 21
- 22 Senioral?
- 23 MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, vague, 24
  - "you."

- O. Bentley Pharmaceuticals. 1
- A. Bentley Pharmaceuticals, to be in compliance 2
- with the SEC requirements that you disclose 3
- investment of risk and concentration of risk, 4
- 5 disclosed, I'm assuming, the two largest
- products and indicated to the shareholders how 6
- 7 much of the company's revenues came from sales
- 8 of those two products so they could understand
- the risk involved. 9
- 10 Q. You indicated that you were involved in the
- drafting of this document for 1999; is that 11
- correct? 12
- A. That's right. 13
- O. Did you ask anyone what the two most important 14 15 products were?
- A. I'm sure that we had schedules depicting what 16
- they were, and I'm sure we were able to look at 17 the schedules and determine that. 18
- O. And did those schedules show the -- what do 19
- those schedules show? What do you recall those 20
- 21 schedules showing?
- 22 A. Sales by product.
- 23 Q. So there were in 1999 documents that showed
- 24 sales by product?

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- A. That's right. Italpharmaco, Radiopharm, Juste, 2 and Ethypharm.
- 3 O. How much of Laboratorios Belmac's revenues were generated by contract manufacturing in 1999 as a 4 5 percentage?
- A. I don't think we gave a breakdown. I don't 6
- think the contract manufacturing contributed a 7 8
- material part of our revenues.
- O. Okav. If we look back at the table I think it 9
- 10 was F-25, is that accurate -- F-25, it indicates that 20 - approximately 20. or -- \$20 million 11
- 12 of revenues was generated by Laboratorios Belmac
- 13 in 1999. 14 A. That's right.
- Q. And 52 percent of that is attributable to two 15
- 16 products, Belmazol and Controlvas; is that
- 17 accurate?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- O. Okay. But you don't remember which product 19
- accounts for which percentage approximately of 20
- 21 that 52 percent?
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, asked and
- 23 answered.

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24 A. I don't recall.

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A. Yes, yes.

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- 2 Q. And the two most important products were
- Belmazol and Controlvas from your perspective? 3
- A. The two products with the largest amount of 4 sales were Belmazol and Controlvas. 5
- Q. And actually let's stay with this one for a 6
- moment. If you look a page later after the 7
- 8 statement that says Belmazol or -- Controlvas
- 9 and Belmazol together represent approximately
- 10 52 percent of the sales of Laboratorios Belmac,
- you see a section called Contract Manufacturing. 11
- Is that accurate? 12
- A. Right, I see that. 13
- Q. And that section indicates that Laboratorios 14
- Belmac uses less than 100 percent of its plant 15
- capacity to manufacture its own products. Is 16 that accurate? 17
- A. That's right. 18
- O. And so it engages in contract manufacturing of 19
- pharmaceuticals owned by other companies. Is 20 21 that accurate?
- 22 A. True.
- Q. And one of those companies is Ethypharm; is that 23
- 24 right?

Q. Do you think it would be important to know that?

- 2 MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to form. A. I think it was important that we comply with the
- 3 SEC reporting requirements that requires us to 4
- explain concentration of risk for the 5
- 6 shareholders, and I think we complied with that
- by putting that statement in there, that those 7
- two products comprise 52 percent of the 8
- 9 revenues.
- 10 Q. Would a shareholder -- well, let me back off
- that. And it's your testimony that contract 11
- manufacturing was not a material contributor to 12
- revenue in 1999? 13
- A. That's right. 14
- Q. And on what basis do you recall that? 15
- A. I recall that while it took up excess capacity, 16
- it didn't contribute a lot of revenue to the top 17
- line and it wasn't very profitable, but it was a 18
- way to absorb excess capacity. 19
- 20 Q. And do you know what products were manufactured
- 21 under contract manufacturing arrangements?
- MR. MINGOLLA: This is back in '99? 22
- 23 MR. FINE: In 1999.
- 24 A. I don't know. I don't know.

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- 1 Q. Do you know what products were manufactured for 2 Ethypharm in 1999?
- 3 A. I could assume that it was omeprazole, but I don't know for a fact. 4
- 5 Q. Do you know if it was any other products?
- 6 A. I have no idea.
- 7 O. Did you ever see a breakdown of contract
- 8 manufacturing by product in 1999?
- A. Not that I recall. 9
- 10 O. Did you ever see a document indicating the proportion of revenue attributable to contract 11 manufacturing for 1999? 12
- 13 A. I'm sure that there is a report that indicates
- 14 how much revenues came from contract
- 15 manufacturing, but I don't specifically recall how much it was. 16
- Q. Was it more than 10 percent? 17
- 18 A. I don't know.
- 19 Q. What amount would you consider to be material to the revenue of Belmac and, by extension, 20
- Bentley? What's the minimum threshold? 21
- 22. MR. MINGOLLA: I'm sorry. Finish your 23 question. And can I ask to hear the question
- 24 back again, please?

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- assuming -- if something was excess of that, I'm 1 assuming it's something somebody would want to 3 know about.
- 4 O. Okay. If you look at F-25 again, interest
- 5 expense is listed as 147,000. Is that a
- 6 material amount?
- 7 A. No, it's very immaterial, but it's a requirement 8 that the Securities and Exchange Commission has
- 9 for being in full compliance with the
- 10 disclosure.
- Q. And depreciation and amortization is 289,000. 11
- Is that a material amount? 12
- 13 A. It's not material, but again, that line item is
- 14 a required line item regardless of the
- 15 materiality of the amount.
- Q. And net income or loss before income taxes is 16
- approximately 1.6 million. Is that material? 17
- A. Is it material? It's less than 10 percent of 18
- 19 revenues, but, again, the purpose of this note
- is to be in compliance with generally accepted 20
- accounting principles and SEC reporting 21
- 22 requirements, and each of those specific line
- 23 items are required to be disclosed, whether --
- 24 for example, interest in common in Spain was

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- (Reporter read back the last question.)
- Q. Let me rephrase that. What percentage of revenue would you consider to be material to the revenue of Laboratorios Belmac and, by extension, Bentley as a minimum threshold?
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Are we talking back in 1999?
- MR. FINE: Now.
- MR. MINGOLLA: I'll object as beyond 10 scope of Phase 1.
- MR. FINE: Are you instructing him not 11 12 to answer?
- MR. MINGOLLA: No. 13
- Q. You can answer. 14
- 15 A. Well, materiality is a -- to me, it's a gray
- concept. Essentially, materiality means an 16
- 17 amount or percentage that would impact
- somebody's decision to buy or sell or hold 18
- securities, and I think depending upon the 19
- 20 context of what you're talking about, different people would probably come up with a different 21
- 22 figure for what materiality means. I'm trying
- 23 to answer your question, but, you know, probably
  - 10 or 15 percent of our revenues is, I'm

- 1 zero in 1999, but you still had to indicate it 2 was zero.
  - 3 Q. So it's your testimony that anything less than
  - 10 or 15 percent of revenue would not be a 4 5 material item? Is that accurate?
  - 6 A. Again, I was trying to answer in the context of
    - how you're asking. I don't know if you can as a
      - blanket statement say 10 percent of something is
  - 9 material or not material. I'm trying to be
  - 10 helpful. I'm not sure what you're asking me.
  - Q. Let me see if I can try and get a better handle 11
  - on this. I'm trying to understand approximately 12
  - how much of Belmac's revenue in 1999 is 13
  - attributed to the different pharmaceutical 14
  - products that it makes, and I'm asking it 15
  - because I don't think it's entirely clear in the 16
  - 17 10-K; and I was hoping you could help me out to
  - get a handle on that. So I'm trying to figure 18
  - out what you recall from 1999 as the amounts of 19
  - 20 revenue that are attributable to the different
  - 21 pharmaceutical products that are reported here
  - 22 in the 10-K and to the contract manufacturing.
  - 23 MR. MINGOLLA: I'm just going to
  - 24 object to the commentary as to what is clear and

- 1 what isn't clear to counsel's opinion. I don't
- know if there's a question pending, but if there 2
- is, I'd like to hear it. 3
- Q. So when you look at the statement on Page 5, I 4
- 5 guess, that Controlvas and Belmazol together
- represent 52 percent of the sales of 6 Laboratorios Belmac, that's material? 7
- A. Well, certainly it's material, but also it was a 8
- required disclosure with respect to 9 10 concentration of risk.
- O. Okay. Where's the threshold for disclosing 11 12 concentration of risk?
- 13 A. I don't know that there is a specific dollar or
- percentage threshold, but, again, it's something 14
- that an informed shareholder would want to know 15 to be able to make a decision about whether to 16
- buy, sell or hold the securities. 17
- O. Okay. But the contract manufacturing, it's your 18
- 19 testimony, is not something that a shareholder
- 20 would want to know about in terms of its
- 21 percentage of revenue in 1999, is that accurate,
- 22 as material?

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23 A. At that time, based on my recollection of how we went through in putting together the document, I 24

understanding is it produced its own omeprazole. 1

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- O. And it sold its own omeprazole? 2
- 3 A. That's right.
- 4 O. And that was Belmazol in 1999?
- 5 A. That is right.
- O. Okav. And that was all of Belmazol in 1999? 6
- 7 A. That was all of Belmazol?
- 8 O. In fact, all Belmazol in 1999 was omeprazole
- 9 that was manufactured independently of the
- 10 relationship with Ethypharm; is that correct?
- A. That's my understanding. 11
- O. Okay. I'd like you to look at another document, 12
  - and that is the 2000 -- actually, the 2000 10-K.
- 14 And do you recognize this document?
- 15 A. I do.

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- Q. Okay. And what is this document? 16
- A. This is Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc.'s annual 17
- report on Form 10-K for the year ended 18
- December 31st, 2000, and it was filed with the 19
- Securities and Exchange Commission. 20
- O. It was filed with the Securities and Exchange 21
  - Commission?
- 23 A. Yes, it was.
- O. Okay. Is this a business record of Bentley

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- would say that contract revenues didn't constitute a material percentage of revenues or
- contribution to profit.
- Q. Okay. How do you understand that Belmazol was 5 manufactured?

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, vague.

- Q. In 1999, did Laboratorios Belmac manufacture its 7 own omeprazole independently of its relationship 8 9 with Ethypharm?
- A. It's my understanding that in 1999 omeprazole 10 was manufactured by Belmac. 11
- Q. Okay. I don't think that was quite my question. 12 13
  - MR. FINE: Could you read back my question?
  - (Reporter read back the last question.)
  - MR. MINGOLLA: I'll interpose an objection to that question as vague.
- A. I was not directly involved with the operations 18 or the manufacturing, but it's my understanding 19 that Belmac did produce its own omeprazole. 20
- 21 Q. Outside of its relationship with Ethypharm? MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, vague. 22
- A. Yeah, I'm not sure I'm not sure about the 23 relationship with Ethypharm, but my 24

Pharmaceuticals?

- 2 A. Yes, it is.
- 3 Q. And it's accurate?
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection.
- 5 A. When it was filed, it was accurate. I can't say
- if things may have changed since that date, but 6
- 7 at the date of its filing, yes, it was accurate.
- Q. Has any portion of it been restated? 8
- 9 A. It's possible as subsequently put together that
- reclassifications of line items established, but 10 there's been no restatements. 11
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- O. But you'll let me know if we come across one of
- those areas where a line item has been 13
- reclassified? 14
- 15 A. Sure.

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- Q. I'd like you to turn to, again, Page 2, and it 16
  - says 99 percent of the registrant -- that's
- 18 Bentley Pharmaceuticals, is that accurate --
- revenues? The registrant is Bentley 19
- Pharmaceuticals; is that correct? 20
- A. The registrant is Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 21
- Q. 99 percent of the registrant's revenues for the 22
- year ended December 31, 2000 were derived from 23
- its operating subsidiaries, Laboratorios Belmac 24

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S.A. and Laboratorios Davur in Spain? MR. MINGOLLA: Can you tell me from

where you're read something? MR. FINE: It's the next page.

MR. MINGOLLA: It's on the bottom of

MR. FINE: Yeah, I'm reading from the top of a different page, and I'm sorry about that. We printed it out two different times.

MR. MINGOLLA: So that sentence you just read is actually at the bottom of Page 1?

MR. FINE: At the bottom of Page 1.

- A. Yes, the statement says, "99 percent of the 13 registrant's revenues for the year ended 14
- December 31st, 2000 were derived from its 15
- operating subsidiaries Laboratorios Belmac and 16 Laboratorios Davur in Spain." 17
- O. And if you look on Page 6, which is probably 18 going to be somewhere on Page 5 on the 19
- 20 exhibit --A. Okay. 21

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- O. -- the sentence right before the page break is 22
- "Belmazol and Controlvas represent approximately 23
- 35 percent and 12 percent, respectively, of the 24

- that accurate? 1
  - 2 A. In Spain, that's true.
  - Q. In Spain. And in the United States, they were 3 approximately 130,000? 4

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- 5 A. That's right.
- O. Is 130,000 material? 6
- A. Would I consider it material to the consolidated revenue total? 8
- 9 O. Yes.
- A. No. 10
- Q. So 35 percent of approximately 18.5 million is 11 attributable to Belmazol; is that accurate? 12
- A. Actually, 35 percent of 18,617,000, which is the 13 combined total that consolidated revenues. 14
- 15 O. And what is approximately 35 percent of that? MR. MINGOLLA: I'll object to the
- 16 extent you're asking him to do a math 17
- calculation in his head. 18
- Q. Is it a little bit -- is it approximately 6 19
- million but less than 7 million? 20
- A. It's more than two-thirds -- I would say it's 21 22
  - more than 6 million.
- 23 Q. More than 6 million?
- A. Probably less than 7 million, but I would say

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- sales of the Registrant during the year ended 1
- December 31, 2000." Is that accurate? 2
- A. That's true. 3
- Q. Does that refresh your recollection of what the
- approximate proportion of sales might have been 5 in 1999 for Belmazol and Controlvas? 6
- A. No. All I can tell you is that the combined 7
- total is 52 percent in 1999, and the combined 8 total in 2000 is 47 percent, of which 35 percent 9
- was Belmazol and 12 percent was Controlvas. 10
- 11 O. And you have no recollection what the
- approximate percentages were in years earlier? 12
- A. I couldn't tell you. 13
- 14 Q. And it's not clear whether it's approximately 15 the same?
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, asked and 16 answered. 17
- A. You know, we could -- if I could see the
- records, I can tell you, but I would be 19
- 20 guessing.
- O. Okay. And if you turn to -- let me understand 21
- this actually in a little more detail. In 2000, 22
- if you turn to Footnote 25 again, net sales were 23
- approximately 18.4 or .5 million dollars; is 24

- 1 more than 6 million.
- 2 O. Somewhere between 6 to 7?
- 3 A. If you want me to calculate it, I can calculate
- 4
- O. No, that's not necessary. Somewhere between 6 5 6 to 7 million?
- 7 A. I didn't do the calculation, but I'm guessing 8 somewhere in the 6 to 7 million range.
- 9 Q. And if you look at -- well, let me backtrack for
- 10 a second. So 6 to 7 million or 35 percent of
- the sales of Bentley is a pretty important 11
- revenue item; is that accurate? 12
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, "pretty 13 important." 14
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- Q. Is an important revenue item; is that accurate?
- MR, MINGOLLA: Same objection. It's 16 17 vague.
- A. It's more than one-third of the revenues. It's 18 a significant number. 19
- Q. And if you look at contract manufacturing for 20 21 that year --
- MR. MINGOLLA: Where are you referring 22 23
- to? 24
  - MR. FINE: The bottom of page --

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Page 90 1 1 actually, right below Page 6, called Product A. Yes. O. Were those financial reports audited? 2 Supply. A. They probably were included in the audit 3 3 MR. MINGOLLA: Okay. Yes. procedures. I doubt that those specific reports Q. "Since Laboratorios Belmac currently utilizes 4 4 less than 100 percent of its plant capacity to 5 in those formats were audited, but they were 5 manufacture its own products, Laboratorios 6 used as a basis for creating the audited 6 7 Belmac has engaged in contract manufacturing of 7 financial statements. pharmaceuticals owned by the companies." Is 8 O. And those audits were done by Deloitte & Touche? 8 9 that accurate? 9 A. That's right. O. And Deloitte & Touche was satisfied that those 10 A. That's true. 10 amounts were not material? 11 O. And those amounts are not material, is that 11 MR. MINGOLLA: Objection. accurate, for 2000? Are those amounts reported 12 12 MR. FINE: Okay. I'll withdraw the 13 13 question. Could we take a brief break if you 14 A. I don't think you'll see those amounts anywhere. 14 15 I don't think they were considered significant 15 don't mind? enough to spell out separately. 16 THE WITNESS: That's fine with me. 16 O. So the amounts of pharmaceuticals owned by or --MR. MINGOLLA: Go off the record. 17 17 manufactured for other companies, including 18 18 (Recess taken from 11:23 a.m. to

Ethypharm, were not material to Laboratorios 19 11:32 a.m.) 19 Belmac's and, by extension, Bentley's 10-K for Q. So for 2000, about 35 percent of Bentley's 20 20 revenues are attributable to omeprazole; is that 21 2000? 21 22 A. I think it was important to indicate to the 22 right? 23 shareholders what the type of operations were 23 A. That's right. 24 that we conducted, but I don't think the Q. And that's an important product then? 24 Page 91 1 individual amounts for the individual companies A. That's right. were material for disclosure. Q. If we -- let me give you another document. 2 2 Actually, I've already given it to you, the 2001 3 Q. Okay. And do you know what those amounts were? 3 A. Sitting here today, I couldn't tell you what 10-K, if you'd look back to Exhibit 1. Just to 4 4 they were back then. 5 go over this again, you recognize this; is that 5 6 O. Did you know what those amounts were in 2000 --6 accurate? 7 well, let me say in 2001, while this was being 7 A. This is Exhibit 1? 8 drafted and when it was filed? 8 Q. Yes. A. I'm sure I knew at least what the product supply 9 A. Yes. totals were. I don't know if I knew by 10 10 Q. And it's a business record of Bentley Pharmaceuticals? It was filed with the SEC? individual company or not, but I knew in total 11 11 that they were not material. A. That's correct. 12 12 Q. And how did you know that? Q. And it's a public document? 13 13 A. I was able to see how much product revenue came 14 A. That's correct. from product sales versus how much came from 15 15 Q. If you -- I think your reporting changed a little bit in 2001, looking through this 16 manufacturing arrangements. 16 17 Q. And that's broken out differently on financial 17 document. Do you recall that the way in which reports? 18 you reported the 10-K changed a little bit? 18 MR. MINGOLLA: I'll object as vague. A. That's right. 19 19 A. Well, there are requirements that the Securities Q. And those financial reports are from 20 20 and Exchange Commission has, and as long as you 21 Laboratorios Belmac? 21 22 A. That's right. 22 meet all of the disclosure requirements, it's Q. And they were provided to Bentley really up to the author of the documents to put 23 23 Pharmaceuticals? it in whatever order they think makes the most 24 24

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- 1 sense for the reader of the document. One thing
- 2 the SEC doesn't want you to do is just use
- 3 exactly the same format and just change the
- numbers and regurgitate the same information the 4
- following year. They want it to be a meaningful 5
- document to the reader, so it's possible that 6
- 7 the format changed to try to improve the
- 8 document.

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- 9 Q. Do you recall any specific discussions about the 10 format changing in 2001 or for the 2001 report?
  - MR. MINGOLLA: I'll object as to
- foundation. I don't think it's been established 12 13 there's a specific change.
- 14 Q. Do you recall any discussions about changing the
- 15 format for the report in 2001?
- A. I can't recall any specific discussion regarding 16 that year. I can just recall trying to make 17 sure that we had a meaningful document that was 18
- constantly improving. It was a dynamic process. 19
- Q. Okay. If you turn to Page 21. And I apologize 20 21 if it's printed out slightly different than this
- 22 one. I think you'll see a heading that says,
- 23 "We operate a significant portion of our
- 24 business in, and plan to expand further into,

- Q. So substantially all of the revenues were 1
  - derived -- Bentley's revenues were derived from

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- the Spanish subsidiaries? Would that be a fair 3
- characterization of that? 4
- 5 A. That's a fair statement.
- 6 O. If you look at Page -- I think it's Page 11.
- It's the section called Product Sales and 7 8
  - Marketing in Spain.
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And this refers to the product sales and
  - marketing in Spain but not the small 1 to
- 2 percent of revenues that were sold by the 12
  - Spanish subsidiaries outside of Spain; is that
- 14 right?
- 15 A. I would probably have to spend some time reading
- 16 this section to confirm whether that is or is 17
- O. Okav. Feel free to take a few minutes to have a 18
- 19 look at it.
- 20 A. Okay.
- 21 MR. FINE: Could you read back the
- 22. question?
- 23 (Reporter read back the last question.)
- A. I think this is making reference to -- if I take

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- markets outside the United States, which
- 2 subjects us to additional business risks," is
- 3 that right?
- A. I see that. 4
- 5 Q. You see that. And the first sentence of that
- is, "In the year ended December 31st, 2001, 6
- 7 substantially all of our revenues were derived
- 8 from sales made by our Spanish subsidiaries in
- 9 Spain and a small portion of those revenues, 1
- 10 to 2 percent, were derived from sales made by
- the subsidiaries to customers in other foreign 11
- countries." Is that accurate? 12
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. So substantially all, 99 percent or something
- like that, of Bentley's revenues -- "our" is 15 Bentley: is that right? 16
- 17 A. "Our" refers to Bentley consolidated results.
- O. "Of Bentley's revenues were derived from sales 18
- 19 made by our Spanish subsidiaries in Spain and a small portion of those revenues were derived 20
- from sales made by the subsidiaries." Is that 21
- 22 also the Spanish subsidiaries?
- A. Yes, that's referring to those Spanish 23
- 24 subsidiaries.

- 1 a look at the last sentence in that first
  - 2 paragraph of that section, I think it's making
  - 3 reference to all of the revenues of the company,
  - both those within Spain and the sales outside of 4
  - 5 Spain because that sentence says, "Revenues from
  - 6 products whose active ingredient is omeprazole 7
  - accounted for approximately 56 percent of our 8
  - net sales in 2001," and that's referring to
  - 9 consolidated net sales.
  - 10 Q. Okay. Does that also include generic products,
  - that 56 percent, generic omeprazole? 11
  - A. My understanding of that sentence is that it is 12
  - talking about revenues of all products whose 13
  - active ingredient is omeprazole comprise 14
  - 56 percent of consolidated net sales in '01, 15
  - 16 whether they're branded, generic, inside or
  - 17 outside of Spain.
  - 18 O. Does that also include contract manufacturing?
  - A. I'm assuming it includes contract manufacturing 19 20 as well.
  - 21 O. So between 2000 and 2001, omeprazole went from
  - being approximately 35 percent of Bentley's 22.
  - revenues to about 56 percent of net sales? 23
  - A. In 2001, it was 56 percent, and I don't recall

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- 1 if the last document we were looking at was 2 2000. Was that 2000?
- O. I believe it was. 3

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MR. MINGOLLA: It's Exhibit 5.

- 5 A. Yes, it went from 35 percent in 2000 to 56 percent in 2001. 6
- O. Okay. And if you look at Note F-25 again --7 actually, I'm not sure whether it's Note 13 --8
- it might be Note 13 in the business segment 9
- information. That indicates that net sales in 10 Spain were about 26,411? 11
- 12 A. That's actually 26,411,000, but that's true.
- O. 26,411,000. Thank you for correcting me. And
- there were no net sales in the United States; is 14
- 15 that accurate?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- O. Okay. So approximately 56 percent of that 17
- 26,411,000 net sales figure is attributable to 18 products whose active ingredient is omeprazole? 19
- A. That's correct. 20
- Q. Okay. That also, you think, includes generic 21
- 22 omeprazole marketed by Laboratorios Davur; is
- 23 that right?
- 24 A. That's correct.

- O. What is this document? 1
  - A. This is Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc.'s annual

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- report on Form 10-K for the year ended 3
- 4 December 31st, 2002 filed with the Securities
- 5 and Exchange Commission.
- Q. And did you participate in writing and filing 6
- 7 this document?
- 8 A. I did.
- 9 O. Okay. And is this document a business record of
- 10 Bentley Pharmaceuticals?
- A. It is. 11
- Q. And does this document or did this document 12
- accurately reflect the position of Bentley 13
- Pharmaceuticals when it was filed? 14
- A. It was accurate when it was filed. 15
- 16 O. And has any portion of this document been
- 17 restated?
- A. There have been no restatements, although when 18
- these financial statements were filed 19
- subsequently as compared to financial 20
- statements, it's possible that some of the line 21
- items were reclassified. 22
- Q. And you'll help me out if we come across one of 23
- those items that has been reclassified? 24

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- O. And contract manufacturing?
- 2 A. That's right.
- Q. So it's a pretty important product? 3
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, vague. 4
- A. It's a product that made up more than 50 percent 5 of the company's revenues. 6
- O. And it's the single most important product for 8 Bentley; is that accurate?
- 9 A. At that time, it was the largest selling 10 product.
- O. Do you recall what the second most important 11 product was? 12
- A. Until the time that it was disposed of, I'm 13 assuming it was Controlvas. 14
- Q. I think Controlvas was disposed of in the year 15 before. I think it was sold before. 16 17
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection to form.
- Q. Okay. We don't have to go into that. I'd like 18 19 you to look at another document, and this is 20 Exhibit 6.
- 21 (2002 10-K was marked Exhibit Number 6 for identification.)
- 22 Q. And do you recognize this document? 23
  - A. I do.

A. I will. 1

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- Q. I'd like you to let me know. Do you recall any 2
  - discussions about changing the format of
- reporting in this document for the 2002 10-K? 4
- 5 A. Not specifically, but the SEC is always
- promulgating new disclosure requirements, so 6
- it's possible there may have been new disclosure 7 requirements that may not have been included 8
- 9 earlier, and again, we were continuing our
- improvement process to try to make the document 10
- 11 a better document.
- O. If you turn to Page 22, there's a section that 12
- says, "We operate a significant portion of our 13
- business in, and plan to expand further into, 14
- markets outside the United States," et cetera. 15
- Do you see that? I apologize that again if it's 16
- been printed out in a way that's slightly 17
- 18 different than mine.
- 19 A. No problem. I have it now.
- O. Th first sentence of that section says, "In the 20
- 21 year ended December 31, 2002, 99% of our
- revenues were derived from sales made by our 22
- Spanish subsidiaries in Spain and a small 23
- 24 portion of those revenues (six percent) were

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- derived from sales made by the subsidiaries to 1 customers in other foreign countries." Is that 2
- an accurate statement? 3
- A. Yes, it is. 4
- Q. So approximately 99 percent of Bentley's 5 revenues were derived from sales by the Spanish
- 6 subsidiaries? 7
- A. That's right. 8
- Q. Okay. And of that, approximately 6 percent were 9 derived from sales made by the subsidiaries to 10
- customers outside of Spain; is that accurate? 11
- 12 A. That's right, that's right.
- O. And I'd like you to turn to Page 11, which 13
- says -- and there's a section that says Product 14
- Sales and Marketing in Spain. 15
- A. Okay. 16
- Q. And the last sentence of that section or of that 17
- first paragraph says, "Revenues from products 18
- whose active ingredient is omeprazole accounted 19
- for approximately 49 percent of our net sales in 20
- 2002." Is that accurate? 21
- A. That is. 22
- Q. Was -- does this 49 percent figure also include 23
- generic products or revenues from generic 24

- comprised 49 percent of revenues in 2002. 1
  - O. And was that the single most important product 2 3 for Bentley in 2002?

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- 4 A. I speculate that it was.
- 5 Q. Do you know of another product that was more 6 important in 2002?
- 7 A. I don't think there was another product whose 8 revenues were greater than 49 percent.
- O. Okay. If you look at Footnote 3, which is 9
- towards the back of the document, you'll see a 10
- table for the consolidated statements of 11
- operations and comprehensive income. Do you see 12 that? 13
- A. On Page F-3? 14
- O. F-3. I'm sorry. 15
- 16 A. Okay. I do. I see that.
- 17 O. And net product sales in 2002 were approximately \$38.7 million? 18
- A. Net product sales in 2002, 38.7 million. 19
- Q. So approximately 49 percent of that 38.7 million 20
- is attributable to products whose active 21
- ingredient is omeprazole? 22
- A. Actually, I think it's 49 percent of the number 23
- that is two lines below that, which is the 24

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products?

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- A. Yes, this is before the discussion about 2
- generics versus branded. So this is on a 3
- consolidated basis all revenues, regardless of 4
- the source, from omeprazole made up 49 percent 5 of the consolidated revenues in 2002. 6
- Q. You just referred to a discussion about generics 7 versus brandeds. What discussion was that?
- 8 A. If you continue on that page, you'll see the 9
- next section describes generic pharmaceuticals, 10
- and on the following page, you'll see a 11
- discussion of branded pharmaceuticals. 12
- O. So that discussion is discussion within this 13 14 document?
- 15 A. That's right.
- O. So including generic and branded 16
- pharmaceuticals, approximately 49 percent of 17
- Bentley's net sales for 2002 were from products 18
- whose active ingredient is omeprazole? 19
- A. Well, regardless of whether they're branded or 20
- generics or contract manufacturing or whatever 21 the source.
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- O. So that also includes contract manufacturing? 23
- A. Everything that was based on omeprazole

39,136,000.

- O. Okay. So forgive my math. Around \$20 million? 2
- 3 A. I would say --
- Q. A little bit less -4
- 5 A. I would say more than 19 million.
  - Q. More than 19 million, possibly less than 20
- million -- less than 20 million. Okay. Forgive 7
  - me, but SEC filings are an important --
- 9 A. It's okay.
- 10 O. - set of things to actually understand. So in
- 11 the years 2000 -- just to sort of sum up, in the
- vears 1999, 2000, and 2001 -- I'm sorry. In the 12
- years 2000, 2001, and 2002, products whose 13
- active ingredients contain omeprazole accounted 14
- for -- and correct me if I'm wrong -- 35 percent 15
- of Bentley's revenues, 56 percent of Bentley's 16
  - revenues, and 49 percent of Bentley's revenues,
- respectively? 18
- A. That's correct. 19
- O. Okay. I'd like you to -- show you another 20
- 21 document. Actually, before we do that, you've
- mentioned you're responsible for Bentley's 22
- investor relations and public relations; is that 23
- 24 correct?

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- A. Primarily investor relations. I don't think we truly have a public relations function. 2
- 3 O. How many people work for Bentley in investor relations? 4

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection. Time frame? MR. FINE: From 1999 to 2002.

- A. Between 1999 and 2002, my recollection is that I was probably performing the investor relations function in-house and we had an outside investor relations group that was doing consulting work
- 10 for us. 11

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- 12 O. And in 1995, do you recall?
- A. It's possible that I was doing or it's possible 13
- that somebody was helping me do it, but I 14
- couldn't tell you precisely who, if anybody, 15 during 1995. 16
- Q. Okay. I'd like to show you a document, and it's 17 marked Exhibit 7. 18
- 19 (Fax to Mr. De Basilio from Mr. Murphy, dated January 19, 1995 was marked 20
- Exhibit Number 7 for identification.) 21
- O. And I'd like you to turn to the second page of 22
- that document. Do you recognize that document? 23
- A. I recognize this document because I've seen it 24

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- O. Do you recall drafting or being involved in the drafting of this contract -- sorry, the drafting 2 of this press release? 3
- A. No, I don't. 4
  - Q. Do you know who might have been? MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, calls for

7 speculation.

- 8 A. I have no idea.
- 9 Q. Do you recall any conversations about this press release with Jim Murphy? 10
- A. No. I don't. 11
- Q. Do you recall any conversations about this draft 12 press release with anyone else? 13
- A. No, I have no knowledge of this. 14
- 15 O. Was it usual for your name to be put on the
- 16 bottom of press releases from 1995 to 1999?
- A. Yes, from probably sometime in 1992 through the 17
- year 2006, you'll probably find my name on 18
- virtually every press release that's gone out. 19
- Q. And who drafted those press releases? 20
- A. It depends on the subject matter of each of the 21
- 22 releases. If it was financial in nature, I
- 23 probably was involved in drafting it.
- 24 Q. And what other natures might press releases --

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- recently in preparing for this deposition. 1
- Q. Outside of context with your attorneys, do you 2 recognize this document? 3
- 4 A. No. I don't.
- 5 O. It has your name on the bottom; is that accurate? 6
- 7 A. It does.
- O. And it says, "For further information, please 8 9 contact"?
- 10 A. Right.
- Q. What does this document appear to be? 11
- A. It appears to be a draft of a press release that 12
- perhaps would be distributed once finalized, 13 14 announcing the formation of a joint venture with
- 15 Ethypharm.
- O. And this document also has the name of someone 16 named Jill Perrone on it? 17
- A. Jill Perrone. 18
- O. Jill Perrone. And who was Jill Perrone? 19
- A. Jill Perrone is a person I mentioned earlier, 20
- although I used either her maiden name or 21
- married name, Figuerdo. She was performing 22
- investor relations activities for us in this 23
- 24 time frame.

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- would press releases during that time period
- 2 have been related to?
- 3 A. For announcement of product approvals for
- 4 commercialization, in which case it might be
- 5 drafted by Jim Murphy, along with the assistance 6 of Adolfo Herrera.
- Q. Would you ever have been consulted on those? 7
- A. The draft would have been passed by me typically 8 9 for my approval and comments.
- 10 Q. And would you provide approval -- would you provide comments? 11
- A. Typically, yes. 12
- Q. Typically, yes. Would you provide -- who 13
- ultimately approved or did not approve press 14
  - releases from 1995 to 2002?
- A. I would say that Jim Murphy, president, would 16
- have been primarily involved in the approval 17
- process. I would have. Bob Stote, our senior 18
  - VP and chief medical officer. Depending upon
- the subject matter, if it related to Spanish 20
- operations or activities, Adolfo Herrera 21
- probably would have been involved, and prior to 22
- 23 him, I'm not sure how the process would have
  - worked with Clemente, whose English was not very

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- good. I don't know if he would have or not been 1
- involved. Certainly our attorneys at Parker 2
- 3 Chapin. We did have an in-house attorney that
- came to work for us in 2000 who had previously 4
- been employed by Parker Chapin as a partner. 5
- O. And who was that? 6
- A. Jordan Horvath. 7
- 8 Q. And if you did not approve of a press release --
- 9 did you know of any press releases that you did 10 not approve of that were issued?
- A. There were times when either I was not available 11
- or the subject matter was not financial in 12
- nature that press releases went out that I did 13
- 14
- Q. But you were in charge of investor relations? 15
- A. Right. 16
- 17 Q. Did you -- what steps did you take to
- familiarize yourself with press releases that 18
- 19 you did not approve that were issued?
- A. I would typically read the document, make sure 20
- that I could understand it and be able to answer 21
- questions that investors may typically call up 22
- and ask. 23
- Q. Do you recall any specific instances of press 24

- Page 112 A. This is a press release that was issued by 1
- Bentley Pharmaceuticals. 2
- Q. And was distributed to the public? 3
- A. That's right. 4
- Q. And you have no reason to think that this wasn't 5 a document of Bentley Pharmaceuticals? 6
- 7 A. I can tell you that based on the background, it
- 8 looks as if this document was printed off of our 9
  - corporate Web site, off of the home page. And
- 10 so I have to believe that it's authentic and
- accurate. 11
- O. Do you have any specific reason to think it's 12 13 not accurate?
- 14 A. No. I don't.
- 15 O. I'd like you to look at the bottom. Your name
- is on that. Is that correct? 16
- 17 A. It is.
- Q. And it says VP and CFO contact? 18
- A. Right. 19
- 20 Q. And then a phone number. Is that your phone
- 21 number? At that time, was that your phone
- 22
- 23 A. That was the office phone number in North
- Hampton, New Hampshire, yes. 24

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- releases being issued that you did not approve?
- 1 A. I couldn't tell you specifically which ones were 2
- or were not, but I know that on occasion it did 3 4 happen.
- 5 O. Do you recall any press releases relating to
- omeprazole that were issued that you did not 6 approve? 7
- A. I can't recall. 8
- O. I'll show you another document. 9
- (Press Release, dated November 10, 2000 10
- was marked Exhibit Number 8 for 11
- identification.) 12
- 13 Q. Do you recognize this document?
- 14 A. I can tell you what it is. I cannot say that I specifically recall it. 15
- Q. Is this what is this document? 16
- A. This is a press release that was distributed on 17
- November 10th of the year 2000, where Bentley 18
- announces that it receives the second approval 19
- to manufacture and market generic omeprazole in 20
- Spain and plans to launch it by the first 21
- quarter of 2001. 22
- Q. And is this a business record of Bentley 23
- 24 Pharmaceuticals?

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- Q. And a couple lines above that, it says from
- Michael J. Porter, President; Sean Leous, 2 3
  - VP-Media, L.B. Stauffer. Do you see those
- 4 names?
- 5 A. I do.

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- Q. Who are those people?A. Those are all employees of Porter LaVay & Rose. 7
  - That is an outside consultant, IR consulting
- 9 company, who you can outsource investor
- relations activities to. 10
- Q. What's an outside IR consultant? 11
- A. And they assist you with investor relations. 12
- They talk to investors. They perhaps even set 13
- up meetings with investors for you, et cetera. 14
- Q. Did Bentley outsource investor relations to this 15 company? 16
- 17 A. We did.
- O. At about what time did Bentley outsource 18
- investor relations to this company? 19
- A. I think we've used this company in particular on 20
- three separate occasions dating back into the 21
- mid-1990s and would terminate the agreement with 22
- them, perhaps bring on another consulting group, 23
- and then at some point go back to Porter LaVay & 24

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1 Rose, but I think we've used them on three 2 separate occasions.

- 3 Q. What were the three occasions?
- A. Maybe "occasions" is not the right word. During 4 5 three separate time frames.
- O. What were the three time frames, as best you can 6 recall? 7
- 8 A. I couldn't tell you. I would say for two for the three years at a time, one time during the 9
- mid-'90s, one time in the late '90s, and one 10 time in the early 2000s. 11
- Q. And were there other firms that you used? 12
- A. There were. 13
- Q. And what were the names of those firms? 14
- 15 A. There was one group called FD, as in Frank
- David. FD Financial it was called. There was
- 17 another group whose name escapes me. I can't 18
- 19 Q. And did you review this press release before it was issued? 20
- A. I cannot specifically recall this press release, 21
- so I can't specifically say if I did or did not. 22
- Q. Do you have any reason to think you didn't 23 review this press release before it was issued? 24

- been granted a second approval by the Spanish 1
  - Ministry of Health to manufacture and market a 2 3 generic version of omeprazole in Spain." Is

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that accurate?

5 MR. MINGOLLA: Are you asking if 6 you've read that sentence correctly?

7 MR. FINE: No. I'm asking if his 8 understanding of whether Bentley Pharmaceuticals 9 was granted a second approval by the Spanish 10 Ministry of Health to manufacture and market a

generic version of omeprazole in Spain. 11

12 MR. MINGOLLA: I'd just like to 13 object. Go ahead and answer.

A. I'd just like to clarify that when Bentley 14

Pharmaceuticals puts out press releases, it's 15 speaking about its consolidated operations. So 16

when it says, "Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a 17

drug delivery company with a commercial presence 18

in Europe announced today that it has been 19 granted," the grant was not in the name of 20

21 Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc. It was in the

22 name of, I'm assuming, Belmac or Davur or both.

I'd have to read farther to see which one, but 23

it was Belmac and/or Dayur who received the 24

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- A. I have no reason to think that I either did or didn't. I really have no basis for it. 2
- 3 Q. Do you recall anything about the process of drafting this press release? 4
- A. Not of drafting this specific press release, no. 5
- Q. Do you recall anyone telling you anything 6
- 7 about -- do you recall anyone at Bentley
- Pharmaceuticals telling you anything about the 8 9 drafting of this press release?
- A. No. I honestly can't recall anything specific 10 about this press release. 11
- O. Do you recall anything generally about this 12 13 press release?
- 14 A. No.
- Q. Okay. The first paragraph, the first sentence 15
- reads, "Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Incorporated," 16
- and then it gives the stock symbol for Bentley; 17 is that right? 18
- 19 A. That's right.
- 20 Q. BNT is the stock symbol for Bentley; is that right? 21
- 22 A. That's right.
- 23 Q. "A drug delivery company with a commercial
- 24 presence in Europe announced today that it has

approval.

- Q. Okay. But the next sentence down says, "The 2
- company plans to launch the product through its 3 subsidiary, Laboratorios Belmac, by the first
- 5 quarter of 2001." Is that right?
- 6 A. That's what it says.
- Q. And the company there refers to Bentley 7 8 Pharmaceuticals?
  - A. The company refers to Bentley Pharmaceuticals,
- 9 Inc. Again, I think just to put it in the 10
- proper context, this press release was being 11
- distributed to the shareholders of the company 12
- in order to give those shareholders an 13
- 14 understanding of what the company's business is.
- 15 It's too confusing to try to segregate and say Belmac or Davur or Rimafar or Bentley API, so 16
- you're talking about the consolidated operations 17
- of the company, and that's what shareholders 18
- have invested in, are the consolidated 19
- 20 operations of the company.
- 21 Q. So -- go on. I'm sorry.
- A. I'm trying to understand if you're trying to 22
- differentiate between Belmac and Bentley here. 23 24
  - O. No, I'm just trying to get a sense of what these

sentences mean. It says, "The company" -- and that's Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Incorporated --"plans to launch the product through its subsidiary Laboratorios Belmac by the first quarter of 2001," is that accurate?

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection.

- A. It's accurate if you're looking at the consolidated operations, but if you're trying to distinguish between what Belmac does versus what Bentley does, I think you have to put it in the proper context.
- Q. Okay. How is it inaccurate? 12

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MR. MINGOLLA: Objection.

MR. FINE: Basis?

MR. MINGOLLA: I think you're 15

characterizing the document. 16

MR. FINE: Well, no, the witness just 17 18 said --

MR. MINGOLLA: The witness has testified. Let the witness' testimony stand. MR. FINE: And I'd like to ask the

witness how it is inaccurate.

MR. MINGOLLA: My objection stands.

24 Q. You can answer. 1 correctly?

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A. That's right. What this paragraph is saying is 2 that the company has just now recently received 3

an approval in the name of Belmac, but earlier

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4 5 in the year, in July, three months prior, four

6 months prior, they had received approval in the

name of Dayur. 7

- Q. And the quote on the third paragraph is from Jim 8 9 Murphy; is that right?
- A. That's right. 10
- O. Okay. Do you know if you drafted that quote? 11

MR. MINGOLLA: I'll object to the 12 13 extent that the copy of Exhibit 8 that we have has the quote being cut off in mid-sentence, so 14

it's difficult to ask the witness about a quote

that we can only see fragments of. 16

MR. FINE: Understood. 17

O. To the extent that you can see that quote, do 18 you recall who drafted that? 19

20 A. You know, I can't recall this press release

21 specifically, so I can't tell you who participated in drafting the quote. 22

O. But that's Jim Murphy, and he's -- the title 23

he's there under is chairman and CEO, and that's 24

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- A. Again, I think in the context of which -- if I understand the question, you're trying to
- 2 differentiate between what Bentley does and what 3
- Belmac does, and Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 4
- is a company that owns shares of stock of a 5
- Spanish company, and in that respect, when 6
- you're speaking to the shareholders, if you're 7
- telling the shareholders what they've invested 8
- in and what the operations of that company are 9 and you're looking at it as a consolidated 10
- entity, then you say, "we," "our," "the 11
- company," and that's what this sentence is 12
- speaking to. But if you want to ask me by the 13
- company, are you talking about Belmac or are you 14
- talking about Bentley, this is on a consolidated 15
- basis, but I can tell you that the approval was 16
- granted in the name of -- and I'd have to 17
- read -- either Belmac or Davur. 18
- O. Okay. But the next sentence down says, "In 19
- July, Bentley announced that its Spanish 20
- subsidiary, Laboratorios Davur, had been granted 21
- approval by the Spanish Ministry of Health to 22
- 23 manufacture and market its generic version of
  - omeprazole in Spain." Am I reading that

- of Bentley; is that accurate?
- A. That's correct. 2
- 3 O. Okay. I'd like to ask you about another 4
  - document.
- 5 (Press Release, dated November 14, 2001 6

was marked Exhibit Number 9 for

7 identification.)

Q. Do you recognize this document?

9 MR. MINGOLLA: Give him a chance to 10 review it first.

Q. Sure. Take all the time you need. 11

- A. I recognize that it is a copy of a press release 12
  - that was issued by Bentley Pharmaceuticals. I
- don't specifically recall anything about this 14 15 press release.
- O. Do you know who drafted this press release? 16
- A. I don't. 17
- O. Your name is not listed as a contact person on 18 this list; is that correct? 19
- A. I do not see my name on this page. However, I 20 don't think this is a complete printout of the
- 21 document, and I think if you went back and 22
- looked at the original document, the original 23
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  - hard copy of the document, I think it's probable

1 that my name would be on there.

2 Q. Looking back at Exhibit 8, I notice that your 3 name as a contact is put above the safe harbor

statement. Is that accurate?

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Q. And why do you think your name would have been put below the safe harbor statement on Exhibit 9, if that's what you've just suggested?

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection,

mischaracterizes his testimony.

- A. I make that statement because I don't see any 11 names on there, I don't see any contact 12
- information and I don't think we've ever 13
- produced a press release with no contact 14
- 15 information on there and I'm not sure that it
- 16 always shows up. As a matter of fact, if you go
- 17 back and take a look at our press releases, the 18 contact information is always at the top of the
- 19 press release. So I think this is just an
- 20 electronic formatting thing that somebody has
- 21 undertaken to put these press releases on the

22 Web site. 23

MR. MINGOLLA: For the record, also just note my objection to Exhibit 9. As is the

- institutional investors conference, or I might
  - 2 make a presentation to institutional investors.
  - 3 We may actually have what's called one-on-one

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- 4 roadshow meetings with individual institutional
- 5 investors. I may have made presentations to
- 6 them as well.
- 7 Q. Do you recall the dates of approximately when 8 you did this?
- 9 A. We did an offering back in 2002, I think in
- February of 2002. So leading up to that 10
- offering, I would have done that, and other than 11 12 that, there are just various institutional
- investors conferences scheduled throughout the 13
- 14 year, and I can't tell you specific dates of
- 15 when those are.
- 16 Q. Do you draft presentations for those meetings?
- 17 A. Presentations are put together in conjunction with either the investment bankers or with the 18
- investor relations groups, et cetera. 19
- Q. And who puts those together? 20
- 21 A. It's a collaborative effort of the IR consultant
- 22 as well as with input from the officers of the 23 company.
- Q. And do you make presentations to other third

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- case with Exhibit 8, it's a printout but 1
  - portions of the paragraph are missing on the right-hand side of the exhibit.

4 MR. FINE: I apologize.

- Q. Were you consulted about a press release concerning four new patents for improved orally delivered products, including omeprazole and lansoprazole, in or around late 2001?
- A. I cannot recall if I was or was not. 9
- 10 Q. Do you have a reason to think that you were not? MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to form. 11
- A. No, I really have -- I have no recollection of 12 13 this press release specifically, so I just don't
- 14 know.
- 15 O. And in your responsibilities for investor
- 16 relations, do you ever present or make
- 17 presentations to third-party investors?
- 18 A. I do.
- 19 Q. And when have you done that?
- A. When have I done that. Do you mean on what 20 21
- occasion or on specific dates?
- 22 Q. On what occasions have you done that?
- 23 A. For example, if -- for example, if an investment
- 24 bank sets up an investors conference, an

- 1 parties, possibly potential business partners or joint venture partners? 2
- 3 A. I don't specifically recall doing that, but it's 4 possible that it's been done, but I don't recall 5 doing it.
- 6 Q. Do you recall making any presentations in 2003 7 or '4 to anyone?
- 8 A. I'm sure I did institutional investor
- 9 conferences during '03 and '04. Perhaps UBS 10 conference. I don't know.
- 11 Q. What was your role in putting together those 12 presentations? Did you approve them? You said it was collaborative, but I'm just trying --
- 13 A. I think in order for me to go through the slide 14 show or the deck, I would have to make sure I 15
- 16 understood the information on it and could speak 17 to it and answer questions about it. So it's a
- 18 matter of whether it was the INR group or the
- 19 investment bank or the other officers of the
- 20 company, everybody looked at it, reviewed it,
- 21 made comments, and made sure it was correct. 22 Q. Okay. I'd like to show you another document.
- (Presentation to Perrigo was marked 23
- Exhibit Number 10 for identification.) 24

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- Q. Do you recognize this document? 1 2 A. No. I don't.
- 3 O. What does this document appear to be?
- MR, MINGOLLA: I'll object to the 4 extent it calls for speculation. 5
- Q. Do you recognize any documents like this 6 7 document?
- 8 A. I can flip through there and tell you some -- I recognize some of the slides. This apparently 9
- 10 is a presentation to Perrigo. I don't know if the presentation was made or not made. I was 11
- certainly not involved in any meetings where it 12
- was presented to them. 13
- 14 Q. What is Perrigo?
- A. Perrigo is a large private label manufacturing 15
- company located in the Midwest. For example, if 16 you go to CVS or Walgreen's or Wal-Mart and pick
- 17 up the store brand OTC product, vitamins or 18
- supplements or whatever, and look on the side, 19
- probably two-thirds of the time, you'll see 20 21 manufactured by Perrigo.
- Q. Do you recall making a presentations to Perrigo?
- A. We have -- we, Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 23
- has entered into a collaboration with Perrigo, 24

in my presentations to institutional investors,

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- 2 for example, the slide that says Financial
- 3 Highlights, Consistent Revenue Growth on Page
- BENTL 016018. 4
- 5 O. Any other slides?
- A. And the next page, the Strong Balance Sheet 6 7
  - slide, I recognize as well.
- O. The Stock Performance slide? 8
- 9 A. I don't recognize that.
- O. The Bentley Patent Estate slide? 10
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. No, you don't recognize that?
- A. No, I don't. I'm flipping through. I don't 13
- think there are any other slides in here that I 14 15
- Q. Do you know who might have developed any of 16
- these slides? Why don't we start from the 17
- beginning? Do you know who might have developed 18
- the first slide? 19
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection. Calls for
- 21 speculation.

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- 22 A. The first slide being --
- Q. Do you know who developed the first page of this 23
- 24 presentation after the cover?

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- whereby we're entering into a collaboration on a 1 generic product here in the U.S. 2
- Q. What is that product? 3
- A. That product has not been disclosed publicly. 4
- 5 Can I disclose it here or not?
  - MR, MINGOLLA: Obviously, this portion
  - of the transcript will be labeled highly
- confidential. Can we go off the record a 8 9 second?
- 10 (Discussion off the record)
- Q. Does the product that Bentley is collaborating 11
- with Perrigo on relate to omeprazole? 12
- A. No. it does not. 13
- O. Lansoprazole? 14
- A. No, it does not. 15
- 16 Q. Any microgranulated product?
- 17 A. No.

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- Q. Okay. You said that you recalled certain slides 18
- from this deck as slides -- is that accurate? 19
- A. That's right. 20
- Q. And how do you recall those slides? Were they 21
- slides that you drafted? 22
- A. I don't know if I drafted them or not, but they 23
- 24 are the format of the slides that are included

- A. I don't know who did that.
- Q. Okay. Do you know who developed the page after 2
- that titled Bentley Operations? 3
- 4 A. Before I go any farther, other than the year
- 5 2003, there's no date on here anywhere, I guess.
- O. No, I haven't seen any other date on here. 6
- A. No, I don't know who put that together. 7
- O. Do you know who put together the picture of what 8
- 9 appears to be a building with an American flag
- 10 after that?
- 11 A. That is our corporate headquarters building in
- Exeter, New Hampshire, but I don't know who put 12
- that together. 13
- Q. And the next slide, do you know who put the 14
- slide that said Bentley Management at the top 15
- 16 together?
- A. I do not. 17
- 18 Q. The Financial Highlights slide, you said, is
- identical to a slide that you use or used. 19
- A. I recognize the format of that as being a slide 20
- we use in our roadshow presentations. 21
- Q. Did you review that format for accuracy? 22
- A. I know that the slides that I used were 23
- accurate. I couldn't tell you if these 24

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- depictions are accurate or not. I have not seen 1
- 2 this presentation.
- Q. The Financial Highlights slide, do you recognize 3 4
- A. I recognize the format of the slide, but I would 5
- have to verify the numbers to tell you if 6
- they're accurate or not. 7
- Q. Are there any other slides in here that you 8 recognize the format of or the content of? 9
- A. I've looked through the balance of the slides. 10
- I recognize a couple of the photographs at the 11
- back. I recognize what's in the photographs, 12
- but I don't know who put these together or where 13
- 14 it came from.
- O. What's in those photographs? Why don't we -- if 15
- you give me the Bates number at the bottom of 16
- the document, that would be helpful. 17
- A. It's in the third page from the back of the 18
- document. The page number is 016045; is a 19
- photograph of the manufacturing facility that's 20
- owned by Belmac in Zaragoza, Spain. 21
- Q. And the next page? 22.
- A. And the next page is a photograph of 23
- manufacturing equipment located in that 24

name is right here on this organizational chart. 1

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- O. When was Jim Hand hired? 2
- A. I'm guessing that it was in 2002 or 2003. 3
- Q. And he no longer works for Bentley 4 5
  - Pharmaceuticals?
- 6 A. He does not.
- 7 O. When did his employment relationship with
- Bentley Pharmaceuticals end? 8
- A. I think it was probably one or two years ago. 9
- O. And you've testified that Mr. Hand worked in 10
- 11 business development for Bentley
- Pharmaceuticals? 12
- A. That's right. 13
- O. What were his responsibilities? 14
- A. To either identify opportunities to in-license 15 products or to out-license products. 16
- Q. Did you say end license? 17
- A. In-license, I N. 18
- Q. What is in-licensing? 19
- A. Where you actually bring in something from the 20
- outside, you license it in from somebody on the 21
- outside to create a revenue stream or if you 22
- have intellectual property that you may want to 23
- outlicense to somebody else to generate revenue 24

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- facility. 1
- Q. And you recognize that because? 2
- A. I've seen it. 3
- Q. You've seen it. And do you know what kind of 4
- 5 equipment that is?
- A. I think that is a piece of equipment that 6
- manufactures Simvastatin. 7
- Q. And what is Simvastatin? 8
- 9 A. Simvastatin is an anticholesterol cardiovascular 10
- Q. And is that a microgranulated product? 11
- 12 A. It is not.
- Q. Do you know who else at Bentley put together 13
- presentations such as this? 14
- MR. MINGOLLA: At any time or at any 15 specific time frame? 16
- O. From 1999 to -- I think you've said -- from 1999 17
- to 2004. 18 A. Other than Jim Murphy, our president and CEO, 19
- the only other person I can think of that may 20
- have done something like this would be a person 21
- who worked for us for about a one-and-a-half or 22
- two-year period named Jim Hand, HAND, who was 23
- doing business development for us. In fact, his 24

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- Q. Why did Mr. Hand leave Bentley Pharmaceuticals?
- A. I was not directly involved with his 3
- termination, so I would be guessing if I 4
- speculated on that. 5
- O. Have you heard anything about why Mr. Hand left 6
- Bentley Pharmaceuticals? 7
- A. I think it was mutual. I think he was not being 8
  - very productive in his role there, and I think
- it was mutually agreed that he would leave the 10 11 company.
- Q. And you testified that he was terminated? 12
- A. His employment was terminated, but I think it 13
- was mutually. I don't think he was fired. I 14
- think it was by mutual agreement. 15
- Q. And who terminated him? 16
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection.
- A. I think that was an agreement between him and 18
- Jim Murphy. 19
- Q. Okay. Do you know where he is now? 20
- A. At the time, he resided in Pennsylvania, in the 21
- 22 Philadelphia area of Pennsylvania, but I don't
- know who he's working for or if he's retired. 23
- 24 Q. About how old was he when he worked for Bentley

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- A. I would say late 50s, probably late 50s, maybe 2 3 60ish.
- Q. Okay. What steps do you take to ensure that 4 presentations to third parties are accurate? 5

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, vague.

Whose presentations? 7

Q. Bentley Pharmaceuticals' presentations. 8

MR. MINGOLLA: I'll still object as

- 10 A. For presentations that I'm involved with, I look 11
- through the presentation, look at all of the 12 slides, and make sure the information is 13
- accurate as far as my knowledge goes and take 14
- whatever steps are necessary to verify the 15
- accuracy of the information. 16
- Q. What steps are those? 17
- A. Based on firsthand knowledge or the ability to 18 go compare with original documents. 19
- O. And are there any controls or procedures within 20
- Bentley Pharmaceuticals to generally assure that 21
- presentations to third parties are accurate? 22
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, vague. 23 24
  - Q. Or policies?

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MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, calls for speculation.

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- A. I guess I'm sort of speculating because I don't think it's happened, but at the same time, if I knew it was inaccurate, I would take steps to correct it.
- MR. MINGOLLA: Can we go off the 10 record for one second?

(Discussion off the record)

(Luncheon recess taken from 12:32 p.m. to 1:37 p.m.)

- O. Mr. Price, welcome back. I'd like to turn your attention to the relationship with Ethypharm. And prior to 2002, Belmac was producing
- 16 17 omeprazole in or under an agreement with

Ethypharm; is that right? 18

- A. I was not familiar with the operations or the 19 manufacturing arrangements over in Spain. I 20
- know at some point there was an oral agreement 21
- from what I understand, and then at some point, 22
- the agreement was reduced to writing for a 23
- 24 two-year period, but I wasn't directly involved

- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, compound and 1 2 vague.
  - A. I think there are controls in place to make sure
- that financial presentations and investor 4 5 presentations are accurate and complete, but I
- can't really speak to this document because I 6
- didn't even know this document existed. 7
- Q. Okay. What are those controls and procedures? 8
- A. The people in the financial department read the 9 slide deck, have a chance to verify the accuracy 10 of the information, check it, provide comments, 11
- revisions as necessary. 12
- Q. And business development? 13 14 A. I have no idea.
- 15 Q. Do you think it's important to ensure that
- presentations to third parties for business 16 development are accurate? 17
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection. 18
- MR. FINE: Basis? 19
- MR. MINGOLLA: Vague. 20
- A. I think any presentation made to anybody should 21 be accurate and complete. 22
- O. And if you knew of a presentation that was 23
- inaccurate, what steps would you take to correct 24

- with it. So I can't tell you the exact dates.
- 1 O. Well, the relationship ended in 2002 or that contract was terminated in 2002; is that 3

4 correct?

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- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, compound.
- A. I think that's right, but I'd have to look at 6 the document to verify that. 7
- O. And the relationship -- the producing 8 relationship had gone back to the early '90s; is 9

that right? 10 MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, vague. 11

- A. I'm not sure when it began. It began -- we 12 bought the Spanish operations in 1992, and it 13 14 started sometime after that, but I don't know when. 15
- O. The relationship with Ethypharm started after 16 you bought the Spanish company? 17
- A. I think that's right. I don't think it was in 18 existence, but, again, I'm not positive about 19 20
- 21 Q. What do you understand the relationship with Ethypharm to have been? 22
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to which 23 24 entity the relationship is with.

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- A. Well, my understanding is that there was never
- any relationship with Bentley Pharmaceuticals, 2
- but it was my understanding that Belmac had an 3
- arrangement whereby Belmac did manufacture 4
  - omeprazole for Ethypharm's customers.
- 6 O. And Ethypharm provided Belmac with know-how and 7 the machines to manufacture the omeprazole; is
- 8 that accurate? 9
  - MR. MINGOLLA: I don't know.
- A. I don't know what the arrangement was. 10
- Q. Did you inform yourself about whose know-how was 11
- being used to manufacture the omeprazole? 12
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- 14 Q. Did you inform yourself about whose intellectual
- 15 property was being used to manufacture the
- omeprazole? 16
- 17 A. No, I can't say that I did.
- 18 Q. Did you inform yourself to know whose technology
- was being used to manufacture the omeprazole? 19
- 20 A. No.
- O. Did you inform yourself to know whose patents 21
- were being used to manufacture the omeprazole? 22
- A. I was not involved with the IP aspect of our 23
- 24 business, no.

- Q. When was the IP being discussed?
  - 2 A. Well, I'm not speaking in -- I'm not speaking of

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- a specific instance. I'm just speaking in 3
- 4 generalities, that I knew that Belmac
- 5 manufactured omeprazole for Ethypharm. At some
- 6 point, Ethypharm was discontinuing its
  - operations in Spain and that Belmac developed
- 8 its own IP with respect to production of
  - omeprazole and began selling omeprazole to
- 10 customers of Belmac. And beyond that, I wasn't 11 involved in the IP process.
- Q. I'm sorry. You said customers of Belmac. Did 12 you mean customers of Ethypharm?
- 13 14 A. Belmac had already been producing and selling
- 15 omeprazole to its own customers, and that's what I was making reference to. 16
- 17 O. And who else was present when the IP was being discussed? 18
- 19 A. Like I said, I can't even recall any specific
- 20 instances. I'm just drawing on my general
- 21 understanding based on things I had heard over
- 22 the years.
- Q. Who do you recall hearing them from? 23
- A. I would say Jim Murphy primarily.

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- O. As the CFO, you reported that the omeprazole
- product accounted for a substantial portion of
- 2 3 Bentley's revenues from '99 to 2002. Did you
- 4 take any steps to inform yourself as to the 5
- basis or the security of that revenue stream? MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to the
- 6 7 form.
- 8 A. I'm not really sure I understand the question.
- I can answer it this way, and you tell me if I'm 9
- 10 answering your question. As the CFO who had the
- 11 responsibility for making the filings for the
- Securities and Exchange Commission and to the 12
- 13 shareholders, I made sure that we described our
- 14 business to the shareholders accurately. To do
- 15 that, we involved other people that were
- involved with the company, including management 16
- and our attorneys and those involved with the IP 17
- 18 of the company, but I did not have direct
- 19 responsibility or an understanding of the IP
- 20 involved.
- 21 O. Did you have an indirect understanding of the IP
- 22 involved?
- 23 A. I did not have a direct understanding, but I was
- 24 present when the IP was being discussed.

- Q. Anyone else? 1
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Did you ever hear the IP being discussed by 4
  - Clemente Gonzalez?
- 5 A. No, because Clemente didn't speak English. I
- 6 can't imagine I would have been sitting in on a 7
  - conversation with him on that.
- 8 O. Adolfo Herrera?
- 9 A. It's possible. I don't specifically recall, but 10 it's possible.
- 11 O. Jordan Horvath?
- A. It's possible, but I don't specifically recall a 12
- conversation with him about it. 13
- Q. General recollection, what -- your general 14
- 15 recollection, what kind of conversation or
- meeting are you recalling generally? Is it a 16
- phone conversation? 17
- 18 A. No, not even -- like I said, no specificity.
- 19 Just with respect to my understanding of the
- 20 disclosures we needed to make in the annual
- 21 reports on 10-K and the quarterly reports on
- 22 10-O.
- 23 Q. I want to go back for just a moment. Do you

24 speak Spanish?

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- A. I do not. 1
- 2 Q. So there was some general discussion in the 3 context of preparing Bentley's 10-Ks and 10-Os of ownership or of the IP for omeprazole? 4

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to form.

- 5 6 A. Like I said, I cannot recall any specific 7 conversations, but just in general, recognizing 8 that that is a section that has to be disclosed 9 to the shareholders, a section in the business part of the Form 10-K, Item 1, regarding patents 10 and IP. So our attorneys and those people 11
- 12 involved with IP in the company were involved in 13 reviewing and making sure that those disclosures

14 were accurate.

- 15 Q. And you thought there was a risk that had to be disclosed to Bentley's shareholders and to the 16
- public because of the percentage of revenues 17
- 18 that were dependent on omeprazole; is that 19 right?
- 20 A. Yes. I think that any concentration of business 21 risk, whether it's sales to one customer, sales
- 22 of one product, amounts due from one customer,
- 23 things of that - exposure to any particular one
- 24 item that can impact the operating results,

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Belmac might be unable to produce omeprazole? 1 2 MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to form.

- A. I don't know.
- O. Was the nature of the risk different than that? MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to form.
- 6 A. My perception of the risk was that this one 7 product made up -- and you saw the numbers -- 35 8 to 56 percent of the revenues and if, for whatever reason, the company was unable to sell 9 10 that product, the revenues would decline by 11 those percentages.
- 12 Q. Why might the company have been unable to sell that product?

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, calls for speculation.

- 16 A. In recognizing that, I'll tell you there are any 17 number of things that can happen to a product.
- 18 It can be subject to generic competition that
- 19 takes away market share, subject to other
- 20 competitors coming in and taking away market share, subject to safety recalls, subject to 21
- 22 manufacturing problems, subject to anything that
- prevents the product from getting to market. 23
- 24 Q. So it's the nature or -- it's your testimony

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- those kinds of things need to be disclosed to
- 2 the shareholders so they can understand what
- 3 kind of risks are involved.
- 4 O. And what kind of risks were involved in 5 relationship to omeprazole from 1999 to 2002?
- 6 A. I don't know it was specific just to those 7 years, but recognizing that omeprazole was a very large driver of our revenues, I hoped to 8 make sure that the shareholders were aware that, 9
- 10 "Hey, X percent of our revenues come from sales 11 of this one product."
- Q. What could happen with that one product? What's 12 13 the risk?
- 14 MR. MINGOLLA: Objection to the form. 15 calls for speculation.
- A. It could be recalled for safety. There could be 16 a manufacturing problem with it. There could be 17 18 any numbers of things that happened that the 19 product is withdrawn from the market.
- 20 Q. So the risk was that omeprazole could be
- withdrawn from the market? 21
- 22 A. It was certainly a risk.

23 Q. Was the nature of the risk that Ethypharm might 24 terminate its relationship with Belmac and

1 that the risks could have been anything?

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to form.

- A. I can tell you that my primary objective was to make sure that the reader of the financials
- 5 understood that if this product was not 6 marketed, revenues could decline substantially.
- 7 I never contemplated that the risk involved some 8 issue with Ethypharm. That was not my objective 9

when we disclosed that risk.

10 Q. Okay. What's -- if it wasn't Ethypharm, what 11 did you understand the risk to be?

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, asked and 12 13 answered.

- 14 A. Those risks I laid out for you; whether it's 15 competition that takes away our market share, 16
  - whether you have manufacturing product,
- 17 whatever -- whatever could keep the product from getting to market. 18
- Q. Did Ethypharm threaten to terminate the 19 20 relationship with Belmac for the production of 21 omeprazole in 1997?

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, foundation.

- A. I don't know. I was not involved with that. 23
- 24 Q. Do you recall anyone mentioning that Ethypharm

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- 1 had threatened to terminate the relationship in 2 1997?
- 3 A. I don't recall that.
- Q. Do you recall any discussion within Bentley of 4 the relative importance of omeprazole? 5
- A. I think I had the ability to recognize the 6
- relative importance of omeprazole, which is why 7
- we disclosed the percentage of revenues in our 8
- 9
- Q. Did you recall -- do you recall any discussion 10 within Bentley from 1999 to 2002 about 11 Ethypharm? 12
- A. I don't think I was directly involved with that, 13
- so no, I don't recall any specific discussion of 14 15
- Q. Do you remember any general discussion of that? 16
- A. At some point -- and I can't tell you the time 17
- frame. At some point, it was brought to the 18
- level of disclosure to the board of directors, 19
- but I couldn't tell you if it's in the time 20
- frame that you're asking about or not. 21
- O. What was brought to the level of disclosure to 22
- the board of directors? 23
- A. That there were some threats or claims that 24

- anvone?
  - A. There was a typical agenda item on the board agenda each time the board met to give an update

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- 3 to the board members with respect to legal 4
- 5 issues. They weren't necessarily litigation
- issues, but either threats of litigation or 6
- potential litigation or things that needed to be 7 brought to the attention of the board. 8
- Q. And did you prepare the agendas? 9
- A. The agenda was typically sent out by me after 10 consultation with Jim Murphy. 11
- O. Did you consult with anyone else about those 12 agendas? 13
- A. Our legal counsel. 14
- O. So did Jim Murphy bring to your attention the 15 need to disclose this to the board of directors? 16
- A. Well, I can't remember specifically, but in 17
- general, the way it would happen is I would say, 18
- "Here's a proposed agenda. Do you see anything 19
- that needs to be added, deleted, changed?" He 20
- would look through them. I'd say, "What do we 21
- need to talk to them about with respect to 22
- financial updates, legal updates, human resource 23
- updates, et cetera," and then go through the 24

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- there may be some litigation or some legal 1 issues or something involved with Ethypharm. 2
- Q. And what was disclosed to the board of 3 4 directors?
- A. That the relationship with Ethypharm had been 5
- terminated or something like that and there were 6 some rumblings that there may be legal issues. 7
- Q. And did you ask for any further information on 8 9 that?
- A. Not that I recall. 10
- Q. Did you do the disclosing to the board of 11 directors? 12
- A. It was -- I would have to go back and look at 13
- 14 the minutes. I don't recall. It could have
- been Jim Murphy. It could have been Jordan 15
- Horvath. It could have been me. I don't 16 recall. I'd have to look at the minutes. 17
- Q. Do you recall when that was disclosed? 18 MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to form. 19
- A. I don't recall, but I'm sure if we look at the 20
- 21 minutes, we could find it.
- 22 Q. You said it could have been you. Do you
- remember specifically discussing the need to 23
- disclose this to the board of directors with 24

- list and discuss things that needed to be 1 2 disclosed.
  - Q. Do you recall any financial results as a result 3
  - of the termination of the relationship with 4 5 Ethypharm?
    - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, foundation.
  - A. No, I don't recall anything like that. 7
  - Q. Did you look into what the financial results of 8
  - the termination of the relationship with 9 10
    - Ethypharm might have been?
  - A. No. 11

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- O. Did you ask anyone whether terminating the 12
  - relationship with Ethypharm would affect
- Bentley's revenues from omeprazole? 14
- A. I can't say that I recall specifically asking 15
- 16 that question, but as we went through the drafting process and the review process, we 17
- tried to raise any potential issues that needed 18
- to be disclosed. So I'd like to think that we
- 19
- raised that issue, but I can't specifically 20
- recall if we did or not. 21
- Q. But you don't know? 22
- A. I don't know. 23
- Q. Did you ask for any financial analysis from

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- Belmac about what the effect of terminating the 1 relationship with Ethypharm might be? 2
- 3 A. Not that I recall.
- Q. Did you ask for any financial analysis from your 4 5 own finance department or anyone else at Bentley
- about what the effect of terminating the 6 relationship with Ethypharm might be? 7
- A. I don't think anybody in our finance department 8 in the U.S. would have any basis for determining 9 10 that.
- O. Determining what? 11
- A. What the financial impact would be of 12 terminating the relationship with Ethypharm. 13
- Q. Well, you've testified that omeprazole accounts 14
- for in excess of one-third of Bentley's revenues 15 for the years from 1999 to 2002. Did you know 16
- that the relationship with Ethypharm related to 17 omeprazole? 18
- A. No. It's my understanding that the production 19 of Belmac's omeprazole is not related to
- 20 Ethypharm. 21
- Q. Okay. When did Belmac begin to develop its own 22
- omeprazole? 23

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A. I don't know. I wasn't involved with that.

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- O. And how much effort has there been to contain research and development costs at Bentley from 2 3 1995 to 2003?
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, foundation.
- A. I can tell you that being the chief financial 5 officer and recognizing where the company had 6 come from in '93, '94, '95, when it was in dire 7
- 8 financial straits. I tried to make sure that we
- didn't get back in that position, tried to make 9
- sure that we allocated our resources wisely, 10 tried to make sure that we could afford to 11
- invest the dollars that we were investing in 12
- research and development activities and not 13
- jeopardize the future of the company. It was a 14 15 balancing act.
- Q. And research and development is expensive; is 16 that correct? 17

MR. MINGOLLA: Objection.

- A. Research and development activities can consume 19
- a tremendous amount of resources. 20
- 21 O. And do you know of any efforts by Belmac to engage in research and development? 22
- A. Included in Belmac's budget each year were 23
- expenditures for research and development. 24

- 1 O. Well, research and development has been a significant cost to Bentley from 1994 to 2003.
- 2 3 Is that accurate?
- A. I think we've spent relatively modest amounts on 4 research and development. 5
- Q. It's been an area that the officers and board 6 have focussed on: is that accurate? 7
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to form and vague.
- A. I'm not sure where you're going. Let me say 10 this: I think that as we put together our 11
- 12 operating budgets for each year, we allocate
- resources to research and development 13
- activities, to G and A activities, et cetera. 14
- If you take a look at the percentage of our 15
- revenues that are devoted to research and 16
- development facilities -- to services, I think 17
- you'd probably see that it's less than an 18
- average pharmaceutical company spends on 19
- research and development as a percentage of its 20
- revenues. So in that regard, I think it's 21
- 22 relatively modest, but does the company pay
- attention to where it allocates its resources? 23
- 24 Absolutely.

- Q. And approximately how much each year was
- included in Belmac's budget for research and 2 3 development --
- A. I couldn't tell you dollar amounts. 4
- O. -- from 1995 to the present? You can estimate. 5
- A. I think a relatively modest amount, but I 6
- 7 couldn't tell you the dollar amounts.
- Q. Did you see how much did you see allocations 8 within research and development for specific 9 10 projects?
- MR. MINGOLLA: Are we dealing with 11 Bentley or Belmac or both? 12
- A. Which one? 13
- Q. Let's start with Belmac. 14
- A. It's possible that included in their budgeting 15
- 16 process was an allocation or breakdown of their research and development expenditures. 17
- Q. Did you see the Belmac budget for research and 18 development for the years 1995 -- for each year 19
- from 1995 to 2003? 20
- A. I saw the Belmac budget for each of those years. 21
- O. When did you see the budget? Was it before the 22
- fiscal year or was it after the fiscal year was 23
- 24 over?

- A. It would typically be right at the end of the 2 fiscal year.
- Q. So you wouldn't see the budget --3
- A. For the following year. 4
- Q. -- in advance? For the following year. Did you 5 have to approve that budget? 6
- A. I didn't have to approve it, but the budget 7 would then be consolidated with the U.S.
- 8 operating budget, which was called Bentley, and 9
- then the consolidated budget would be presented 10
- to the board of directors of Bentley for 11 12 approval.
- Q. So the board of directors of Bentley had to 13 approve the budget for Belmac? 14
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection. 15
- A. They didn't have to. They didn't have to do it, 16 but they did it. 17
- O. Are you aware of any instance where they didn't 18 approve the budget for Belmac? 19
- A. I could go back and review the minutes to see if 20
- in the early to mid-'90s if the budget was 21
- approved. I think at some point they started 22
- 23 the practice of approving the budget, but I
- don't think they have always approved the 24

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- time frame. You can go ahead and answer if you 1 2
- A. You know, I can't tell you specific questions I 3
- was asked, but in general, the issues that would 4 be involved would be what are the drivers for 5
- our growth, how much of the revenues are coming
- 6 7 from new product launches as opposed to existing
- product launches, what are we doing to control 8
- our expenditures, how does this compare to last 9
- 10 year's operating results, et cetera.
- Q. The new versus old products, would you break 11 those out by product? 12
- 13 A. We would.
- O. Do you remember any particular directors 14
- questioning the research and development budget 15
- closely from 1995 to 2003? 16
- A. I can't say that I do. 17 O. Did that budget break out the projects that were 18
- to be researched and developed? 19
- A. No. 20

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- Q. No. Was it a lump sum? 21
- A. It was comprised of both fixed costs that 22
  - included the salaries and benefits, et cetera of
- the research and development staff as well as 24

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- budget. 1
- O. Are you aware of any instance between 1995 and 2
- 2003 where the Bentley board did not approve the 3 Belmac budget? 4
- A. I couldn't tell you if there was one year or two 5
- years that they did not. I'd have to go back 6
- and look at the minutes to verify that. 7 Q. And how was the budget presented to the Bentley 8 9 board?
- A. It was presented typically by me on a 10
- consolidated basis to say, "Hey, these are the 11
- revenues that we budget for the year. These are 12
- 13 our budgeted expenditures. This is the impact
- on the bottom line. This is what we think the 14
- balance sheet and cash flow is going to look 15
- like." 16
- Q. And was that a relatively lively board meeting? 17 MR. MINGOLLA: Objection. 18
- A. I wouldn't say it was a lively board meeting. 19
- Q. Were you asked questions about the budget items? 20
- 21 A. Sure.
- Q. Okay. Who would ask questions about the budget 22
- 23 items?
- MR. MINGOLLA: I'll object as vague to 24

- the allocation of billing overhead, for example, 1 2
  - to those activities and then incremental
- expenditures with respect to whatever projects 3
  - they were working on, whether it was CPE 215 or
- 5 whether it was nano technology, et cetera.
- Q. And do you remember what those specific projects 6
- were other than CPE 215 and nano technology? 7 8
  - MR. MINGOLLA: I'll object, vague as
- 9 to time frame.
- A. Of those budgets over the years, I can't recall 10
- specifically, but if I had the budgets in front 11 of me. I could go back and look at them.
- 12
- Q. I don't think we've had the budgets in front of 13
- us. In 1995, do you remember what specific 14 15
  - projects were being researched and developed? A. I don't, but I can recall that in 1995, it was a
- 16 tough year. We had limited cash resources. So 17
- I would hazard a guess that we didn't spend a 18
- lot of resources on research and development in 19 1995. 20
- Q. In '96? 21
- A. By 1996, we had done an offering, raised cash, 22
- so it's possible that the research and 23
- development expenditures were higher in that 24

- year, but I couldn't tell you what they were off 1 the top of my head. 2
- Q. Do you recall any particular projects from the 3 research and development in 1996? 4
- 5 A. No.
- Q. '97? 6
- 7 A. No.
- Q. What about patents? Are patents included in the 8 research and development budget? 9
- A. Pursuing patents and patent applications and 10 prosecution of those patents are budgeted, but 11
- typically those costs can be capitalized on the 12
- balance sheet as opposed to expensed through 13 research and development. 14
- Q. And --15
- A. But they are treated as a capital expenditure 16 17
- Q. And the patents for omeprazole that were 18 announced in 2001, when were those first 19
- capitalized? 20
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, foundation. 21
- A. I don't know. 22
- Q. Was it 2001? 23
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, foundation. 24

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- O. Do you recall any discussion about these patents 2 with Mr. Murphy or Mr. Herrera? 3
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection.
- 5 A. I don't.
- 6 O. Do you recall any financial analysis of the pros or cons of the relationship with Ethypharm? 7 8
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, vague.
- A. I don't recall any financial analysis about the 9 Ethypharm relationship. 10
- O. Do you recall any financial analysis of the 11 effect on Bentley's revenues inside the 12
- relationship with Ethypharm? 13
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection.
- 15 A. I don't.
- Q. Do you recall any discussion about the effect on 16
- Bentley's revenues if the relationship with 17
- Ethypharm were terminated? 18
- A. I don't recall any specific discussion about 19
- that. It's my understanding -- my general 20
- understanding that there was no impact from the 21
- termination of the Ethypharm relationship. 22
- Q. In November 2001, Adolfo Herrera sent two 23
- letters to Ethypharm; one canceling a 24

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- A. I really don't know. I'd have to go back and.
- look at the costs involved and see how they were treated.
- MR. FINE: I don't think we've seen 4 documents on that either. 5
- Q. The lansoprazole patents that Bentley announced, 6 do you recall when those were first capitalized? 7
- 8 A. I don't.

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- Q. Was it before or after 2000? 9
- A. I have no idea. 10
- Q. Was there any discussion with Mr. Murphy or 11
- Mr. Herrera about budgeting for these patents? 12
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to form, 13 what "these patents" are. 14
- Q. Or did you ever discuss with Mr. Murphy or 15
- Mr. Herrera budgeting for these patents? 16
- MR. MINGOLLA: Same objection. 17
- A. I don't know --18
- O. To be clear, it's the second question I'm 19
- 20 interested in, not the first.
- MR. FINE: If you could read back the 21
- second question. 22
- (Reporter read back the last question.) 23
- A. No, I don't recall any specific discussion about 24

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- manufacturing arrangement for omeprazole and the 1 other canceling a supply contract with Ethypharm 2
- relating to omeprazole. And I'll show you those 3 two exhibits or those two documents. 4
- (Letter to Mr. De Basilio from 5
- 6 Mr. Herrera, dated November 14, 2001 was
- marked Exhibit Number 11 for 7
  - identification.)
- (Letter to Mr. De Basilio from 9
- Mr. Herrera, dated November 14, 2001 was 10
  - marked Exhibit Number 12 for
- identification.) 12
- O. And just to go back to the budgets for a second, 13
- the budgets presented to the board of directors 14
- are consolidated. Do they break out 15
- Laboratorios Belmac items? 16
- A. They do. 17
- O. They do? 18
- A. Uh-huh. 19
- Q. And those are and the approval, is that an 20
- omnibus approval or is it a line-item approval? 21
- A. It is an omnibus approval. 22
- O. And if the board of directors disapproves the 23
- budget, is it disapproved on an omnibus basis or 24

- 1 a line-item basis?
- A. During the time frame we're talking about --2
- 3 Q. Let's say 1998 to 2002.
- A. There were no disapprovals during that period. 4
- O. Do you recall being told about the cancellation 5 of the relationship with Ethypharm? 6
- A. At some point, I can recall becoming aware of 7 8 the cancellation of the agreement.
- 9 O. And when did you become aware of it?
- A. I don't know exactly. 10
- O. Was it before the cancellation or afterwards? 11
- A. I think it was afterwards. 12
- O. It's been represented to us that Adolfo Herrera 13
- had conversations with Mr. Murphy as early as 14
- April or May in 2001 about the reasons for 15
- terminating the relationship with Ethypharm. 16
- 17 When did you first hear of any discussion of
- terminating these contracts? 18
- MR. MINGOLLA: I'll object to the 19 preamble to the question. 20
- A. I was not involved in the Ethypharm matter, so, 21
- you know, when Adolfo and Jim Murphy may have 22
- been discussing it isn't really relevant to my 23
- knowledge, but honestly, I don't know when I 24

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- O. Are you aware of any discussion of the termination of the relationship in the 2
- Laboratorios Davur board? 3
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- 5 Q. Did you ever fail to attend a meeting of the Laboratorios Belmac board of directors? 6
- A. The Laboratorios Belmac board meets, I would 7
- say, annually when it comes time to sign the 8
  - accounts, and that meeting takes place on paper.
- 10 It's not a physical meeting.
- O. So it's your testimony that the termination of 11
- the relationship with Ethypharm was never 12
- discussed at the Belmac board of directors? 13
- 14 A. That's right.
- O. What did you understand the reasons or factors 15
- to be that supported the decision to terminate 16
- the relationship with Ethypharm? 17 18
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, foundation.
- A. I didn't have an understanding or nobody ever 19
- shared that with me. 20
- O. Did you develop your own understanding of what 21
- the reasons for the termination of the 22
- relationship with Ethypharm were? 23
- A. No, I can't say that I did.

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- first became aware of it. I really don't know.
- 2 Q. Was it in spring of 2001?
- A. I don't know. 3

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- Q. Did you ever discuss the termination of the 4
- relationship with Ethypharm with anyone? 5
- A. My recollection was that in one of the board 6 meetings that it was disclosed that the 7
- relationship had been terminated with Ethypharm. 8
- O. Outside of a board meeting, did you ever discuss 9 10 the termination of the relationship with
- Ethypharm? 11
- A. Not that I recall. 12
- Q. Mr. Price, you're a member of at least two 13
- 14 boards of directors. You've testified here that
- you're a member of the Laboratorios Belmac board 15
- of directors, and you've also testified that up 16
- until a certain point in time, I think in 2004, 17
- you were a member of the Bentley board of 18
- directors. Which board was this discussed at? 19
- A. At the Bentley Pharmaceuticals board. 20
- Q. Are you aware of any discussions of the 21
- 22 termination of the relationship in the Belmac
- board? 23
- A. No. 24

- Q. Did you have any sense of what the reasons for the termination of the relationship were?
- 2 MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, form. 3
- A. I didn't know. I had no idea why. 4
- 5 O. When was the decision made to terminate the relationship with Ethypharm? 6
- A. I can tell you what the English translation of 7
- this letter says and the date of the letter, but 8
- 9 beyond that, I don't know.
- Q. So you have no knowledge of when the 10
- relationship -- when the decision was reached to 11
- terminate the relationship regarding omeprazole 12
- other than what's in this? 13
- A. That's right. 14
- Q. You had no conversations with Jim Murphy about 15
- terminating the relationship with Ethypharm? 16
- A. No, I did not. 17
- O. You had no conversations with Adolfo Herrera 18
- about terminating the relationship with 19
- Ethypharm? 20
- A. No. 21
- Q. You had no conversations with anyone at Bentley 22
- about terminating the relationship with 23
- 24 Ethypharm?

- 1 A. Not that I know of, no.
- 2 Q. You had no conversations with anyone at Belmac
- 3 about terminating the relationship with
- 4 Ethypharm?
- 5 A. No, not that I recall.
- 6 Q. You had no conversations with anyone at Davur
- 7 about terminating the relationship with
- 8 Ethypharm?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Did you have any conversations with anyone else
- about terminating the relationship with
- 12 Ethypharm?
- 13 A. Only in the legal disclosures that we've made in our SEC filings.
- 15 Q. So it's your testimony that you discussed
- terminating the relationship with Bentley's
- 17 attorneys in the context of developing your SEC
- 18 filings?
- 19 A. Absolutely.
- 20 Q. When did those conversations take place?
- 21 A. I can't tell you specifically, but as each of
- our SEC filings was put together, I discussed
- disclosures that needed to be included in the
- legal proceedings section, and we drafted what

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- 1 A. I'm not sure. Can you help me understand what you're looking for there?
- 3 Q. I'm just trying to find out why he was
- 4 terminated.
- 5 A. I think it was a matter of the company feeling
- 6 like it was expending resources but not getting 7 the benefit of the resources that were being
- the benefit of the resources that were being expended.
- 9 Q. How much was his salary?
- 10 A. I think it was 350 or \$375,000.
- 11 Q. Per year?
- 12 A. Per year.
- 13 Q. Did he receive any additional compensation?
- 14 A. He probably received bonuses and stock options.
- 15 Q. Do you recall what the value of those bonuses and stock options was for the --
- 17 A. I don't recall, but I think they were disclosed in the proxy statements.
- 19 Q. So if I'm understanding this, there was a
- decision reached -- what -- actually, can we take a quick break?
- 22 A. Sure.

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- (Recess taken from 2:21 p.m. to
- 24 2:30 p.m.)

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- 1 we considered to be the appropriate disclosures.
- 2 And I know at some point we disclosed the
- 3 Ethypharm litigation.
- 4 Q. And who were the attorneys with whom you
- 5 discussed that?
- 6 A. I would say that it was Nate Gardiner with at
- 7 the time Palmer & Dodge, but now Edwards Angell
- 8 Palmer & Dodge, and I can't remember if Jordan
- 9 Horvath was on staff or if he had left the
- 10 company by then. I can't recall.
- 11 Q. When did Jordan Horvath leave the company?
- 12 A. I know it was on April 1st, but I don't know if
- it was in -- I think it may have been April 1st of '04.
- 14 01 04.
- 15 Q. And why did he leave?
- 16 A. He was terminated for nonperformance.
- 17 Q. Okay. Who terminated him?
- 18 A. I think Jim Murphy did.
- 19 Q. Were there any particular issues that were
- 20 germane to determining that he was
- 21 nonperforming?

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- MR, MINGOLLA: Can I have that
- 23 question back, please?
- 24 (Reporter read back the last question.)

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- Q. I'd like to go back in to Jordan Horvath for a second. What years was Jordan Horvath employed
- 3 at Bentley?
- 4 A. I think he came there in August of 2000, and I
- 5 think he left in April of 2004.
- 6 Q. And before 2000, he'd been outside counsel to the company?
- 8 A. Yes, he was at Parker Chapin Flautau & Klimpl.
- 9 Q. And he'd worked for Bentley as an attorney as outside counsel?
- 11 A. That's right, since 1992.
- 12 Q. And what was he hired to do at Bentley in August of 2000?
- 14 A. He was hired to be general counsel.
- 15 Q. Had Bentley had a general counsel before that?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Does Bentley have a general counsel now?
- 18 A. No.

- 19 O. Were part of Mr. Horvath's responsibilities
  - overseeing Bentley's patents?
- 21 MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, vague.
- 22 A. I can't tell you specifically what he
- 23 concentrated his efforts on. He was based in
- New York, officed out of his home, and I

- couldn't tell you what -- you know, what he 1
- 2 spent his time on, to be honest with you.
- O. How frequently did you speak with Mr. Horvath? 3
- A. Each week. 4
- O. How frequently did Mr. Horvath speak with other 5 executives at Bentley? 6
- A. I don't know. 7
- 8 O. Was your conversation with Mr. Horvath each week a regularly scheduled meeting --9
- A. No. 10
- O. -- or teleconference? 11
- A. It was impromptu. 12
- Q. Would you call him or would he call you? 13
- A. It would happen both ways. 14
- Q. Do you know if Jim Murphy spoke regularly with 15
- Mr. Horvath? 16
- A. I would say they spoke frequently. There may be 17
- periods of time that would elapse without them 18 speaking. 19
- Q. Do you know if Mr. Horvath had oversight 20
- concerning Bentley's patents for omeprazole? 21
- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, foundation. 22
- A. I don't know. I don't know what he was 23
- responsible for. 24

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- Bentley? 1
- A. I guess you could say it that way. 2
- Q. How would you say it? 3
- A. He distributed this summary of topics 4
- summarizing what was discussed at the last 5
- 6 management meeting and in preparation for the 7
  - uncoming management meeting.
- O. Was he tasked to do that? 8
- A. He was. 9
- Q. So this is a record of Bentley's management team 10 meeting; is that correct? 11
- 12 A. That's right.
- O. And the meeting took place when? 13
- A. Well, it looks like this meeting took place on 14
- the 20th of November, and this was distributed 15
- in preparation for the meeting that was going to 16
- be coming up on December 6th. 17
- O. And who was in the management team? 18
- A. Murphy, Price, Gyurik, Stote, Horvath. 19
- Q. Anyone else? 20
- A. Well, that's a dynamic group and it's since been 21
- expanded, but during this time frame, I would 22
- say it was limited to the people mentioned 23
- 24 there.

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- Q. I'd like to show you another document.
  - (Copy of E-mail to Mr. Murphy from
- Mr. Fitzgibbons, dated November 30, 3
  - 2001, and Attachment was marked Exhibit
- Number 13 for identification.) 5
- Q. Do you recognize this document? 6
- A. I recognize the format of the document. I can't 7
- say that I recall this document in particular, 8
  - but I do recognize the format.
- Q. What is this document? 10
- A. This is a document that was prepared by Paul 11
- Fitzgibbons, documenting subjects that were on 12
- the table and being discussed at management 13 meetings. 14
- Q. And there's a cover e-mail to this document; is 15 that correct? 16
- 17 A. That's right.
- 18 O. And that's an e-mail that was sent from Paul
- Fitzgibbons to Jim Murphy, Mike Price -- that's 19
- 20 you -- Bob Gyurik, Bob Stote, and Jordan
- Horvath; is that correct? 21
- A. That's right, the management group. 22
- Q. The management group. And Paul Fitzgibbons sent 23
- this document as part of his responsibilities at 24

- Page 173 O. So 2001, it consisted of Murphy, you, Gyurik,
- Stote, and Horvath?
- A. That's right. 3
- Q. And Jim Murphy is the CEO and president of 4
- 5 Bentley?
- A. At that time, he was chairman, president, and 6 7
  - Q. And we've gone over your positions at this time.
- 8 And Bob Gyurik's positions at this time? 9
- A. Bob Gyurik was president of research and 10 development or maybe it was called vice
- 11 president of pharmaceutical development. 12
- O. And what were his responsibilities? 13
- A. Primarily to research, develop, and advance 14
- toward commercialization potential products or 15 projects. 16
- Q. Do you know what projects he worked on around 17 this time frame, say, from 2000 to 2002? 18
- 19 A. I could speculate, but specifically, no.
- 20 Q. Do you know any of them?
- A. I know projects that I would assume were 21
- underway at that time, but I would be guessing 22
- if that's where he expended his efforts. 23
- Q. Where were those efforts? 24

- 1 A. CPE 215 primarily.
- 2 Q. Anything else?
- A. A project going on with University of New
   Hampshire with respect to nano technology.
- 5 O. Anything else?
- A. I think there was one other project going on in conjunction with Dartmouth with respect to
- 8 fibromyalgia treatment.
- 9 O. Anything else?
- 10 A. A research project with Pfizer where we were
- 11 combining our drug delivery technology with some 12 of their proprietary compounds.
- 13 Q. And was that technology microgranulation?
- 14 A. No, it was CPE 215 related.
- 15 Q. Anything else?
- 16 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 17 Q. How long has Mr. Gyurik been with Bentley
- 18 Pharmaceuticals?
- 19 A. I think he became an employee in 1999.
- 20 Q. Does he hold any position with Laboratorios
- 21 Belmac?
- 22 A. I don't think so.
- 23 Q. Does he serve on the board of directors of
- 24 Laboratorios Belmac?

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  O. And it says after that, "Also protection from
- 2 Ethypharm." Do you see that?
- 3 A. It does say that.
- 4 Q. And Patent Number 4 says, "Aqueous process to be
- submitted, a patent extension of the tablet
- 6 formulation patent from last year to be
  - submitted early November 2001," is that right?
- 8 A. That's what it says.
- 9 Q. And the fifth, do you know if the fifth patent relates to microgranulation?
- 11 A, I don't know.
- 12 Q. And if you look over to the action column to the
- right of the project and status column, you'll
- see "Jordan and Bob G to review patent issues.
- Jordan to have more oversight on patents." Do
- 16 you know what that refers to?
- 17 A. Only what I can derive from what it says.
- 18 O. What can you derive from what it says?
- 19 A. That I know that we were spending a lot of money
- 20 on patent prosecution, and I felt that there was
- 21 nobody controlling that process and controlling
- those expenditures. And I had mentioned to Jim
- 23 that we didn't have anybody on staff that was
- doing that and that Jordan should take ownership

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- 1 A. No.
- Q. Does he serve on the boards of any other Bentleysubsidiaries?
- 4 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 5 O. Okay. I'd like you to turn to Page 3 of the
- 6 project status report, and Item 15, I'd like to
- 7 draw your attention to that.
- 8 A. Okay.
- 9 O. And that describes one, two, three, four, five,
- six patents, is that correct, for Spain and then
- two patents for Bentley?
- 12 A. That looks right.
- 13 O. Okay. And Patent Spain A relates to
- granulation -- vacuum and granulation; is that
- 15 correct?
- 16 A. The description is general procedure, vacuum and
- 17 granulation for other products.
- 18 Q. And Patent B, the description is tablet
- 19 formulation for omeprazole and other gastric-
- 20 sensitive drugs, direct compression?
- 21 A. That's right.
- 22 Q. And Patent C relates to the organic formulation
- 23 process for omeprazole?
- 24 A. Okay.

- of that process. And perhaps here they're
- suggesting that Jordan's going to do that.O. And why did you suggest Jordan to do the
  - Q. And why did you suggest Jordan to do that?
    MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, foundation.
- 5 A. It seemed like a logical -- a logical decision from my standpoint, he being a legal guy.
- 7 O. And the oversight that you envisioned was what?
- 8 A. To make sure that we were spending our resources appropriately.
- 10 Q. Okay. Then it says, "Jordan to visit Spain week of 6th, January, Jordan to call and coordinate."
- 12 Do you recall what that refers to?
- 13 A. I can recall Jordan going over to Spain, but I
- didn't accompany him, so I'm not sure what he
- did while he was there.
- 16 Q. And I'd like to draw your attention back to Item
- 17 C, third patent, "Also protection from
- 18 Ethypharm." Do you know what that refers to?
- 19 A. I don't.
- 20 Q. Do you recall any discussion of that?
- 21 A. I don't, but my understanding and experience
- with IP is so limited that this is not something
- that would have directly been under my purview.
- So I can't say that I paid a lot of attention to

Page 180 Page 178 distribution to the board of directors and 1 1 this. possibly to management, but primarily the board Q. And this was a discussion that took place in a 2 2 of directors, that essentially summarized in management meeting with the team specified on 3 3 executive summary form the topics that were 4 the front of the e-mail; is that right? 4 5 described on the previous document that we A. That's right. 5 6 looked at. O. Was this subject ever discussed at the Bentley 6 7 O. Okay. And this says periodic --7 board of directors, these patents? A. Operations update. 8 A. It's possible. I'd have to go back and review 8 O. - operations update. And sent by Paul the minutes to tell you for sure if it was. 9 9 Fitzgibbons? O. Do you recall this subject ever being discussed 10 10 A. Right. 11 at the Bentlev board of directors? 11 Q. Was this another document Mr. Fitzgibbons 12 A. I don't recall it, no. 12 prepared in the course of his responsibilities 13 O. Do you ever -- did you ever discuss these 13 patents at the Belmac board of directors? at Bentley? 14 14 A. It was, and I think the source of this document MR. MINGOLLA: Objection, vague. 15 15 came, again, from the format of the previous A. No. Again, the meetings of the Belmac board of 16 16 document we looked at. directors were just a paper meeting. There was 17 17 O. So the Bentley board of directors would receive no physical discussion taking place. It was 18 18 periodic updates of Bentley's operations from 19 just a document on paper. 19 Paul Fitzgibbons; is that correct? Q. Okay. So there was no Belmac board meeting to 20 20 A. This was something that was initiated at some 21 discuss these patents? 21 point after Mr. Fitzgibbons arrived at the 22 A. That's right. 22. company, which I think was in 1999, and I think 23 Q. Okay. And there was -- just so I'm 23 it was done a few times, but I think it was a 24 understanding correctly, there was no Belmac 24 Page 181 Page 179 process that went by the wayside. I don't think board meeting, referring back to an earlier 1 1 subject, for the purpose of approving a Belmac 2 it lasted very long. 2 Q. When did it stop? 3 3 budget? A. I couldn't tell you. A. There was a meeting on paper, essentially, like 4 5 O. Is Mr. Fitzgibbons still employed by the company a unanimous written consent where all of the 5 6 directors sit and agree and approve, indicating 6 A. He is. 7 that they reviewed and approved the Q. Does he still produce these? 8 8 documentation, and actions being taken place --A. I don't think he does. He still produces the 9 9 being taken by the entity -previous document. 10 O. And what's the paper --10 O. You're no longer a board member; is that 11 A. -- but there was no --11 Q. -- when you refer to the paper? 12 correct? 12 A. I'm not. A. Board minutes. 13 13 O. Would you receive these if they were sent to O. Board minutes. Okay. I'd like to draw your 14 14 board members? 15 attention to another document. 15 A. It's possible, but if it was distributed only to (Copy of E-mail to Mr. Bolling, et al. 16 16 the board, no -- at this point, no, I would not. 17 from Mr. Fitzgibbons, dated November 17, 17 Q. What's Mr. Fitzgibbons' title? 2001 was marked Exhibit Number 14 for 18 18 A. I think he is vice president of human resources identification.) 19 19 and facilities. Q. Do you recognize this document? 20 20 Q. And what do you understand his responsibilities

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to be?

A. Today?

O. Uh-huh.

A. I don't recall the document specifically, but I

recognize the format of the document.

A. This is a document that was prepared for

Q. What is the document?

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- A. He is responsible for all the human resources
- 2 for Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Inc., from hiring
- 3 to terminations to employee benefit plans,
- 4 compensation programs, et cetera.
- 5 Q. How many people are employed by Bentley
- 6 Pharmaceuticals, Inc.?
- 7 A. I think there are 21 or 22.
- 8 Q. And what's his salary?
- 9 A. I think it's in the 165, \$175,000 range.
- Q. So for 21 people, he's paid about 165 to 10
- 11 \$175,000?
- 12 A. I think that's right, but he's also responsible
- 13 for facilities, maintenance, and things of that
- 14
- Q. Okay. What were his responsibilities in 2000? 15
- A. In 2000, I think his title was director of 16
- special projects, and he was essentially acting 17
- as a scribe, documenting these topics that were 18
- discussed at the management meetings and doing 19
- 20 what I would call project management in terms of
- 21 the research and development programs that were
- 22 underway.
- Q. How often were there management meetings?
- A. They were typically held monthly.

- MR. MINGOLLA: Objection.
- A. Today? 2
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- Q. Yes. A. I would say the number two guy today is John 4 5
- 6 Q. And when was he hired?
- 7 A. August of 2005.
- 8 Q. And why was he hired?
  - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection as to form.

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- 10 A. My understanding is that he was hired at the
- direction of the board of directors to provide 11 12 succession planning for Jim and to have a more
- 13 hands-on role in terms of the day-to-day 14
  - operations of the company.
- Q. Was there a perception at the level of the board 15
- of directors at Bentlev that Jim didn't have a 16
- 17 hands-on involvement in the day-to-day
- 18 operations at Bentley Pharmaceuticals?
- 19 A. I don't know.
- 20 Q. Did you ever hear any discussion of that?
- 21 A. I wouldn't say it was a discussion of him not
- 22 having a hands-on role in managing the company.
- 23 I think there was discussion about just his
- 24 management style.

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- Q. Monthly. And what is a special project?
- A. It was just a title that was arrived at because 2
- we couldn't think of a better title. 3
- Q. Who hired him? 4
- 5 A. I would have to say it was the decision of Jim 6
- Q. Okay. How long have you known Jim Murphy? 7
- A. I've known him since I came to work at the 8 9 company in March of 1992.
- Q. Did you know him before then? 10
- A. No. 11
- Q. Did he hire you? 12
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Okay. How would you describe your relationship
- 15 with Jim Murphy?
- A. Today? 16
- Q. Uh-huh. 17
- A. I would describe it as a good working 18
- 19 relationship. I think we've been a good team
- together since 1992, except for the two years he 20
- was not with the company. 21
- Q. Are you the number two guy at Bentley? 22
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. Who is?

- O. And what was that discussion?
  - A. Just that he -- I think he's the eternal 2
  - 3 optimist.
  - 4 Q. And particular members of the board of directors
  - 5 were less optimistic?
  - 6 A. I think certainly there are more people that are
  - 7 more skeptical -- take a more skeptical approach
  - 8 and view toward things.
  - Q. Before Mr. Sedor was hired, were you the number 9
  - 10 two person at Bentley Pharmaceuticals? 11
    - MR. MINGOLLA: Objection.
  - A. I don't know that I ever considered myself the 12
  - number two person. I think I probably always 13
  - 14 viewed Bob Stote as the number two person.
  - 15 O. Who is Bob Stote?
  - A. He's the senior vice president and chief medical 16 17

  - 18 Q. Why would you have viewed him as the number two
  - 19 guy or why did you view him as the number two 20 guy?
  - A. He was a medical doctor. He had been in the 21
  - pharmaceutical industry for thirtysomething 22
  - 23 years. Older, wiser, more experience. That was
  - 24 just always my perception. He made more than I

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